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SEARCHING FOR ANSWERS:

Reason why wolves killed woman may never be known

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

Experts and officials say they may never learn what triggered a pack of captive timber wolves at Haliburton Forest and Wildlife Reserve to kill a 24-year-old woman on Thursday.

Tricia Wyman, a Sudbury native, had only begun her job as the manager of the facility's newly constructed wolf interpretation centre four days before she was fatally mauled by the five wolves while alone in their 15-acre compound.

The tragic accident is believed to be the first documented case of an unprovoked wolf attack on a human in North America and perhaps even further afield, said renowned wildlife expert and author R.D. Lawrence.

"Something triggered it.



Tricia Wyman, from
a recent Echo photo

Something prompted the attack. But we are never going to find out what happened," said Lawrence, who has proved false 80 reported wolf attacks on humans during his four decades studying the animals.

Lawrence believes the attack may have been initiated by the dominant female in the pack, which was due to deliver young early next month. However, he stressed he was only speculating.

Haliburton Forest's shocked

owner, Peter Schleifenbaum, who learned of the tragedy late Friday when he returned from abroad, was equally mystified by what could have provoked the wolves to kill.

"I've been in there many, many hours by myself with the wolves and I've never noticed any signs of aggression," he said Saturday afternoon. "... They had no interest in humans other than being fed. And in this case they had been fed (the day before) on Wednesday."

Police and Haliburton Forest staff are also at a loss to understand what led Wyman to enter the fenced compound with the wolves sometime after 4:30 p.m., when she was last seen.

David Bishop, Jr., Haliburton Forest's education co-ordinator, said the wolves had been fed the day before the attack and weren't scheduled to be fed again until Friday.

Reports that Wyman may have been trying to take pictures of the wolves, ranging from two to eight years of age, or feeding them are "speculative," said Schleifenbaum.

"There's no explanation why she was in there. She wasn't feeding. She wasn't asked to go in there. She wasn't taking pictures. No one knows why she was in there," he said.

All anybody knows for certain is that a warm and likable young woman who had just begun what she considered "the next best thing" to her dream of running a wildlife centre of her own had what promised to be a bright future cut tragically short.

Minden OPP officers say Wyman's body was found in the wolf compound at about 6 p.m. by two teenage co-op students from Barrie, who were on a work placement at Haliburton Forest.

Standing in front of the scene on Friday, Investigating officer Detective Constable Wayne

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DETERMINATION: Lesley Tashlin drives to the tape

An Olympian achievement!

**Haliburton's Lesley Tashlin
qualifies to compete in
Olympic 100 M hurdles**

by LEN PIZZEY
Publisher

Haliburton's Lesley Tashlin is Olympics bound. At a recent outdoor meet in the United States, the 27 year old 100 metre hurdler beat the qualifying standards and earned a place on Canada's team for this summer's Olympics in Atlanta, Georgia. Tashlin clocked a personal best time of 13:04, easily breaking the Olympic standard of 13:14. (The world record is just under 13 seconds). Tashlin's time was a major advance from her previous efforts in a sport where the difference between the top competitors is measured in hundredths of a second. Her best time last year of 13:35 would have left her on the sidelines for Atlanta.

Tashlin, who began her track career at Haliburton High School, where she set numerous records, finished sixth in the 100 m hurdles at the the 1994 Commonwealth Games. Since

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David Bishop Jr. answers questions from reporters who
rushed to Haliburton Forest to cover the tragedy

Head Lake loon a harbinger of spring

HERE, THERE & EVERYWHERE

News about people and events in Haliburton County

Spring (or is it instant summer) arrived last Thursday, six months after the first snowfall, and the effects were palpable. You could feel a sense of buoyancy and relief wherever you went that day. Skateboarders and roller bladers were out in force along the Head Lake walkway, and people ventured on main street errands in their shirt-sleeves, a lightness in their step. The thermome-

ter outside The Echo office hit 16 Celcius or 60 F. in the shade, the warmest it has been in longer than most people care to think about. On Monday, Dorothyjean Connor dropped by The Echo office to tell us a loon had returned that morning to Head Lake. Will the long winter be followed by a hot summer in the Highlands? Everyone's hoping!

Speaking of weather, The

Echo's ice-out contest is still on, although it's likely that most of the entrants

will have predicted an ice free Head Lake earlier than it will happen. As of Friday

the ice was still white and thick and solid. Even if the weather stays seasonably warm, it could be early May before local lakes are free of ice. Our official ice watcher, Harold Bannon, is on the job, and we'll let you know the official time and date, and the name of the winner, as soon as they're known.

A reminder that April is Cancer Month, and since no door to door fund raising campaign has been organized in Haliburton or Minden this year, you can drop off your donations and obtain an official receipt at The Echo office in Haliburton or Northland in downtown Minden. In Wilberforce, Janet Barker has undertaken door to door canvassing, but she won't be able to get to everyone. If she doesn't call on you but you'd like to make a donation to the Canadian Cancer Society, call her at 448-2455 and she will drop by. Or if it's more convenient, you can leave your donation at Agnew's Store in Wilberforce.

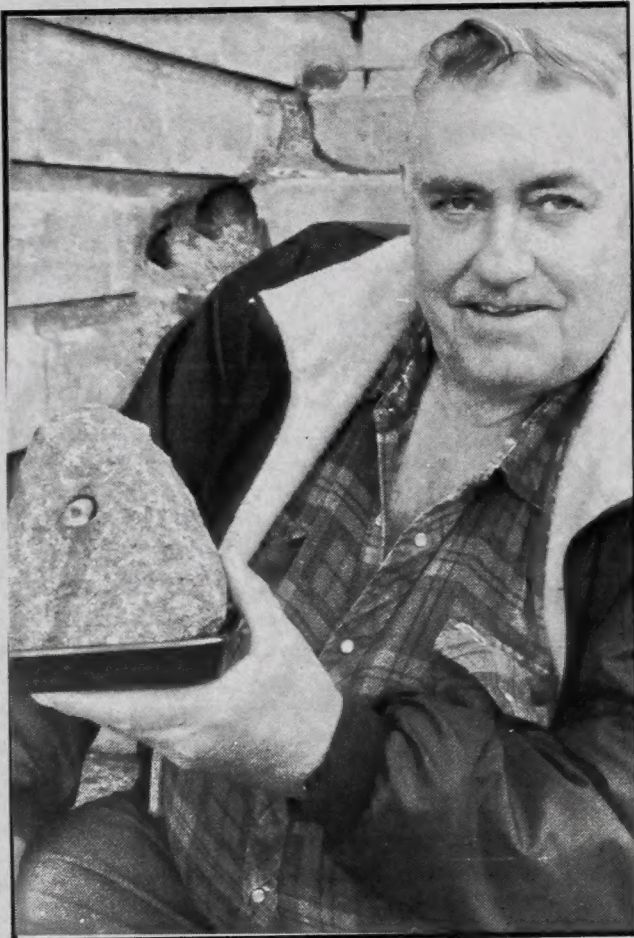
Twenty-six artists have submitted a total of 51 pieces to this year's

Members' Show at the Agnes Jamieson Gallery in Minden. Most eye catching is an enormous miniature of a one-room school house by Merv Bunker.

Bunker's School - in real life the Boshkung School which still stands but now is a home - is 44 inches long, 27 inches wide and 31 inches high. Another eye catcher is "Dad's Boat" by Ira Carter. The show opened a week ago and will run until May 16.

May is designated by the Canadian and Ontario Association of Speech-Language Pathologists as Speech and Hearing Month. The Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit is celebrating Speech and Hearing Month by hosting a poster contest for all students in Grades 3 and 4 in Haliburton. The message of the poster promotes: "Wear your bicycle helmet to protect your ability to communicate." The student who submits the most creative poster will be awarded a bicycle and a helmet.

All Grade 3 and 4 teachers in Haliburton County have been supplied with posters for their students.



A MAN'S GOT TO DO... Bill Jeffrey has always been told that you can't get blood from a stone, but in this age of budget cuts, he knew he'd have to try. This picture, which works better in colour so you can see the red stream from the spigot, proves that at least he still has a sense of humour.



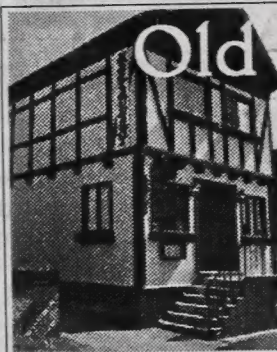
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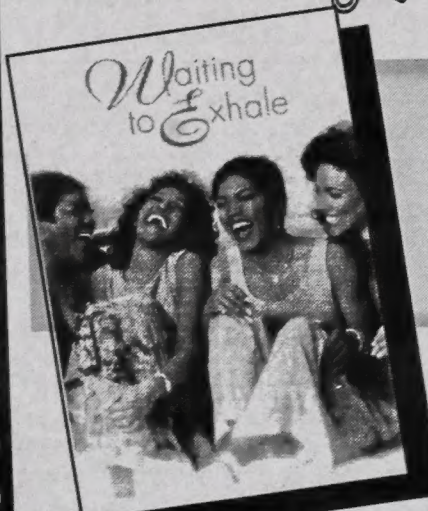
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Youths found woman's body

Police forced to shoot wolves when they displayed 'aggressive behaviour'

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Smith said the two boys had been looking for Wyman because they wanted to take pictures of the wolves for a school project.

The youths saw Wyman's car parked in the drive-way adjacent to the wolf interpretation centre at about 5 p.m. They looked for her in the immediate area, but couldn't see her anywhere, said Det. Cons. Smith.

They returned about an hour later and found her car parked in the same place.

This time they entered the interpretation centre and looked into the compound from the observation area. That is when they discovered Wyman's body on the ground about 26 metres away with the pack of wolves milling around it.

The youths new immediately that Wyman had been killed and rushed to Haliburton Forest's base camp to call police, said Det. Const. Smith.

The first police officer on the scene, Constable Mike Landry, entered the wolf enclosure in an attempt to retrieve Wyman's body, but was held back by the wolves, which were acting in an "aggressive manner," said Det. Const. Smith.

Const. Landry fired his hand gun several times to keep the wolves at bay as he exited the enclosure and waited for more officers to arrive, he said.

Police shot all of the wolves, killing three and wounding the other two, when they wouldn't allow them close to Wyman's body and because they feared for their safety, said Staff Sergeant Andy Millar.

"They wouldn't let us do our investigation. They were coming too close. They wouldn't back off," he said.

"It wasn't a vendetta. We shot them because we had to in order to do our investigation."

Friday at about 10:15 a.m. OPP officers and Ministry of Natural Resources workers from Minden recovered the bodies of four of the dead wolves. The carcasses were transported to a facility in Toronto where they will be frozen in case they are needed for future tests.

About an hour later the fifth wolf, which had been wounded the previous night, was found still alive at the far end of the 15-acre compound, leaning against the chain-link fence surrounding the enclosure.

At about 11:25 a.m. five shots could be heard ringing out as police destroyed the animal.

A clearly shaken David Bishop Jr.,

Haliburton forest's education co-ordinator, said the wolves had indicated no signs of "unusual behaviour" in the days immediately prior to the attack.

He said he had gone into the wolf enclosure with Wyman on Monday — her first day on the job — to familiarize her with the compound.

A similar facility in Michigan donated the wolves to Haliburton Forest about two and a half years ago, said Bishop.

The pack had been in captivity for the past 14 years, or five generations, he explained.

While it is against the law to keep wolves native to Ontario in captivity here, it is permitted to import them from elsewhere for the same purpose.

"They are what we call unsocialized animals, simply meaning that they have never had any physical human contact except for our staff feeding them," he explained.

The wolves were last fed on

"They wouldn't let us do our investigation.

They were coming too close. They wouldn't back off," said staff sergeant Andy Millar



Police cordoned off the interpretive centre at Haliburton Forest for the investigation

Wednesday and weren't scheduled to be fed again until Friday, he said.

Bishop said it was normal procedure for staff to feed the animals beaver carcasses and other food from inside the enclosure, then to go into the observation area of the interpretation centre

to watch them eat.

Bishop said Wyman, who graduated from Guelph University with an Honours Degree in Wildlife Biology and was set to graduate in June from Sir Sandford Fleming College's Ecotourism program, was "well-qualified" for her job at

Haliburton Forest.

"She had previous experience with wolves through a summer research position in Algonquin Park," he said. "Trish was an energetic young lady keen to take on the responsibilities of this new project."

Victim had just begun fulfilling dreams

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

Tricia Wyman was just beginning to live out her dreams.

But, tragically, the good-humored young wildlife biologist had only a few days to savor her most recent accomplishment.

The 24-year-old woman was killed Thursday in what appears to be an unprecedented wolf attack during her first week on the job as manager of Haliburton Forest's newly built wolf interpretation centre.

Wyman, who leaves behind family and a fiancé in her hometown of Sudbury, had worked and studied hard to realize her goal of working with wildlife.

She recently graduated from the University of Guelph with an Honours degree in wildlife biology and was set to graduate in

June from Sir Sandford Fleming College's ecotourism program.

Wyman's roommate in Haliburton since the ecotourism course began in September says his friend and classmate was well on her way to fulfilling her lifelong dream.

"That was basically what she wanted to do with her life — working with animals and educating the public about them," said a distraught Chris James. "She had dreams of running the same type of facility on her own some day. This job was the next best thing."

James said Wyman was interested in all kinds of animals, but wolves were one her favourite species.

All of the students in the ecotourism course have developed strong friendships over the past eight months and are taking the

loss of one of their members very hard, said the 23-year-old Huntsville native.

"It's been pretty rough. The big thing around here right now is trying to figure out why she was in (the wolf compound) and what happened, but the way the situation is we may never know. I think that's the hardest thing for everyone right now."

James said Wyman's personality and attitude made her very well-liked among her peers.

"She was very intelligent, very outgoing, active. She had a good sense of humor. She was a great person."

Students in the ecotourism course have already begun preliminary discussion about organizing some form of memorial or tribute to remember Wyman at the class graduation ceremony, said James.



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Forest owner 'stunned' by mauling

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

Haliburton Forest owner Peter Schleifenbaum was "devastated" to find out upon his return from an overseas trip late Friday evening that his newest employee had been killed the day before by the wolves she was hired to teach the public about.

"I'm stunned," he said Saturday afternoon. "I would have never expected this to happen. Never in my wildest dreams."

Schleifenbaum, who has worked very closely with the pack of timber wolves over the past two and a half years, cannot understand how or why the attack happened.

"I've been in there many, many hours by myself with the wolves and I've never noticed any signs of aggression," he said. "... They had no interest in humans other than being fed. And in this situation they had been fed (the day before) on Wednesday."

Tricia Wyman's tragic mauling death, and the subsequent killing of the wolf pack, have put a halt to Haliburton Forest's ambitious wolf research and education program.

The newly constructed wolf interpretation centre, overlooking the 15-acre natural compound for the animals, was to open officially on the Victoria Day long weekend in May.

Schleifenbaum said it is too early to even consider whether Haliburton Forest will re-open the centre or replace the wolves.

He said he will begin to

address the issue after the OPP, the coronor's office and the Ministry of Labour have conducted their investigations into the accident.

But for the present, he is far too upset and perplexed by Thursday's events to think about what the future holds for the wolf compound.

Two days after the reportedly

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himself and Wyman, who "we felt were qualified" to enter the compound.

Though he and other designated staff did go into the enclosure alone on occasion, it was not standard procedure to do so, he said.

When humans entered the

in the animals I would have changed our policy and never allowed anyone in there," he said.

No government ministries or other agencies monitor compounds such as the one at Haliburton Forest, said Schleifenbaum.

However, when Haliburton forest originally obtained the

While the 15-acre enclosure at Haliburton Forest is significantly smaller than the territory a wolf pack would roam in the wild, Schleifenbaum says it provides more space than any others in Canada and the U.S.

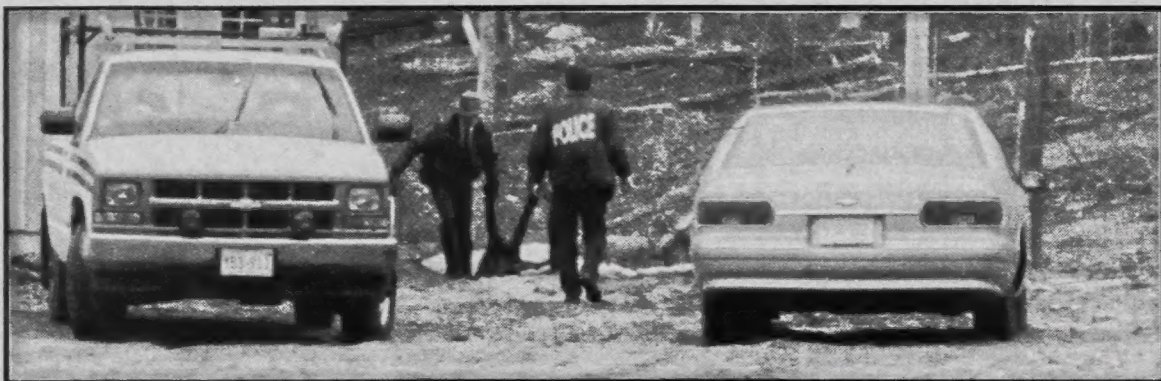
"This enclosure is the largest of its kind from what we know of in North America," he said.

Schleifenbaum was uncertain how many other wolf compounds there are in Canada and the U.S., but said there are several.

Some of the facilities are set up to protect rare wolf subspecies or rehabilitate injured animals. Others, like the one at Haliburton Forest, exist primarily to give the public and researchers the chance to see and learn about the elusive animals.

Schleifenbaum said Wyman was hired because she had all necessary qualifications and experience necessary to run the wolf interpretation centre.

"I'm still overwhelmed by the tragedy and the staff here are shocked," he said. "... The loss of a life and especially one of your employees should not be taken lightly."



Police carry away one of the dead wolves, which were sent for forensic examination

unprecedented fatal attack, Schleifenbaum said he and other staff still have no idea what led Wyman into the fenced-in compound with the wolves.

Reports that Wyman may have been trying to take pictures of the wolves or feeding them are "speculative," he said.

"There's no explanation why she was in there. She wasn't feeding. She wasn't asked to go in there. She wasn't taking pictures. No one knows why she was there."

And because she and the wolves are dead, the mystery may never be solved.

Schleifenbaum said there were only six employees, including

compound, the wolves would often show some initial interest in them, sometimes coming as close as 10-feet away, before losing interest and wandering off, Schleifenbaum explained.

"To me if I would have ever noticed any signs of aggression

wolves from their previous home on a similar site in Michigan, a number of agencies had a say in their transfer, including the Ministry of Agriculture and Food.

The Michigan facility donated the wolves to Haliburton Forest.

Pregnant female wolf may have led attack, expert speculates

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

A renowned wildlife expert who has studied the pack of timber wolves involved in Thursday's fatal mauling of an employee at Haliburton Forest says it is likely — though impossible to determine — that the dominant female led the deadly attack.

Gooderham area resident R.D. Lawrence has been conducting research on wolves and their behaviour for more than 40 years and began studying the pack of wolves at Haliburton Forest before they were imported from Michigan nearly three years ago.

Lawrence suspects the dominant female of the pack, which was pregnant and due to deliver her cubs during the first week of May, was "triggered" for some unknown reason into attacking 24-year-old Tricia Wyman.

"I would say almost certainly it was the Alpha female, probably aided by the Alpha male, who led the attack," he said Friday.

He emphasized strongly that he was simply speculating on the sequence of events and that there is no way of knowing conclusively what led to the attack.

However, he said it may be possible that the pregnant wolf became threatened or challenged for any number of reasons and responded by attacking Wyman, who was alone in the 15-acre wolf compound.

Lawrence said researchers have learned the scent of perfume or a menstruating female can "have some effect" on wolves and arouse their interest, though there is no evidence to suggest either factor played a part in Thursday's attack.

"Those two things, one or both, could have been contributing factors, but we don't know," he said. "... I think it has something to do with the pregnant female, but that is only speculation."

Lawrence, who has conducted research on 53 packs of wild wolves over the past four decades, said there has never been a documented case of

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"Something prompted the attack. But we are never going to find out what happened"

R.D. LAWRENCE

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an unprovoked wolf attack on a human in North America.

He argued an incident in 1985 when Arctic wolves attacked two boys at Toronto's Metro Zoo — ripping one boy's arm off — is an exception, because the youngsters were taunting the wolves through fencing.

During his career, Lawrence said he has investigated 80 reported wolf attacks on humans in North America and all of them have proved to be "spurious."

"This will be the first and only documented attack of wolves on humans in Canada and the United States," he said. "It's highly, highly unusual."

"There's evidence everywhere across North America where people go in with wolves, they work with them and there's never been an attack."

Even if a coroner's inquest is called into Wyman's death, Lawrence doubts investigators will ever find out why the wolf pack killed.

"Something triggered it. Something prompted the attack. But we are never going to find out what happened," he said.

"Perhaps we would have found out more about it if the wolves had been allowed to live, but I understand why they had to be killed."

Lawrence was going to be a lecturer at Haliburton Forest's wolf interpretation centre this summer and had led various seminars on the wolf pack in the past.

"This is one hell of a tragedy," he said.

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Coroner to decide soon whether inquest into wolf attack warranted

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

Peterborough's regional coroner hopes to decide "within the next week or so" whether to call an inquest into the fatal wolf attack on a worker at Haliburton Forest and Wildlife Reserve.

Tricia Wyman, who had been hired to manage the site's wolf interpretation center just four days before she was fatally mauled, was alone with the five timber wolves in their 15-acre compound at the time of the attack.

Police and Haliburton Forest staff say they have no idea why the 24-year-old Sudbury native was in the enclosure or what she was doing before she was killed.

Regional Coroner Dr. Peter Clarke would not disclose any details of the case while it is under investigation, but said he will decide "as soon as possible" whether to call an inquest.

"I can't speak about the specifics of the investigation right away," he said Saturday. "Once we have gathered our information, we will sit down with the

police and determine where to go from there."

"I doubt we'll be making any decisions regarding an inquest for at least the next week or so. We have a lot of work to do here."

Dr. Clarke said he will consider three main questions: Are the basic circumstances — who, why, when, where, how — of the fatality known? Does the public need to know the details? Would an inquest jury be able to offer recommendations that could prevent future deaths in similar circumstances?

Standing outside the wolf compound Friday afternoon, investigating officer Detective Constable Wayne Smith of the Minden OPP said he anticipates there will be a coroner's inquest into Wyman's death, considering it's believed to be the first unprovoked wolf attack on a

human.

"That's the way I'm gearing my investigation," he said.

When deciding whether an inquest is necessary, Dr. Clarke said he will consider three main questions: Are the basic circumstances — who, why, when, where, how — of the fatality known? Does the public need to know the details? Would an inquest jury be able to offer recommendations that could prevent future deaths in similar circumstances?

"Much investigation has to be done and much has to be thought through before we can determine if an inquest would be required," he said.

As of early Saturday afternoon, Dr. Clarke said he had not yet visited the site of the attack.

Local coroner Dr. Pat Gallagher of Fenelon Falls examined the scene late Friday afternoon, the day after Wyman's body was found.

He would not comment on any of his preliminary findings and referred all inquiries about the case to the regional coroner's office.

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Unusual court order gives confiscated goods to local high school school rather than to the Crown

by LEN PIZZEY
Publisher

Sometimes, it seems, all you have to do is ask.

In an unusual turn of legal events, Haliburton High School has been given \$3,000 worth of hydroponic equipment that its previous owner had used to cul-

tivate marihuana.

The equipment was seized by Bancroft OPP last September from a Gilmour man, Shawn Gordon Daulby, age 25. On April 11, Daulby pleaded guilty in provincial court to a charge of cultivating marihuana. Judge Stephen Hunter fined Daulby

\$500, placed him on probation for a year, and order him to make a \$1000 donation to a Community Justice Fund. But the judge also ordered Daulby to donate his growing equipment to HHSS for use in its science programs.

On Friday, Bancroft OPP sergeant John Hatton and court officer Constable Rick Johns handed the equipment over to HHSS principal Gary Brohman and science department head Dave Mowat, who were delighted with the donation, describing it as an example of a new 'part-

nership' approach between the education system and public and private organizations.

Normally, equipment seized by police would be forfeited to the Crown and destroyed if its owner is convicted of an associated offense. Judge Hunter took a different approach however, because of a letter Mowat wrote to the court at the suggestion of HHSS student Christine Hatton, daughter of Sergeant Hatton. When Christine heard that the equipment had been seized, she asked her dad if there was any chance it could be used by the

school, rather than destroyed. Both agreed it was worth asking the court, and that's how the letter from Mowat got into the hands of Judge Hunter.

The equipment, including heaters, pumps, peat moss, a huge, high intensity light bulb, power bars and numerous other parts and pieces, will be put to good use when the new science wing planned for HHSS is built, Mowat said.

"This is a big thing for us" he said. "We'll be able to do experiments that we could never otherwise do."

Hurdler's long struggle leads to Olympics

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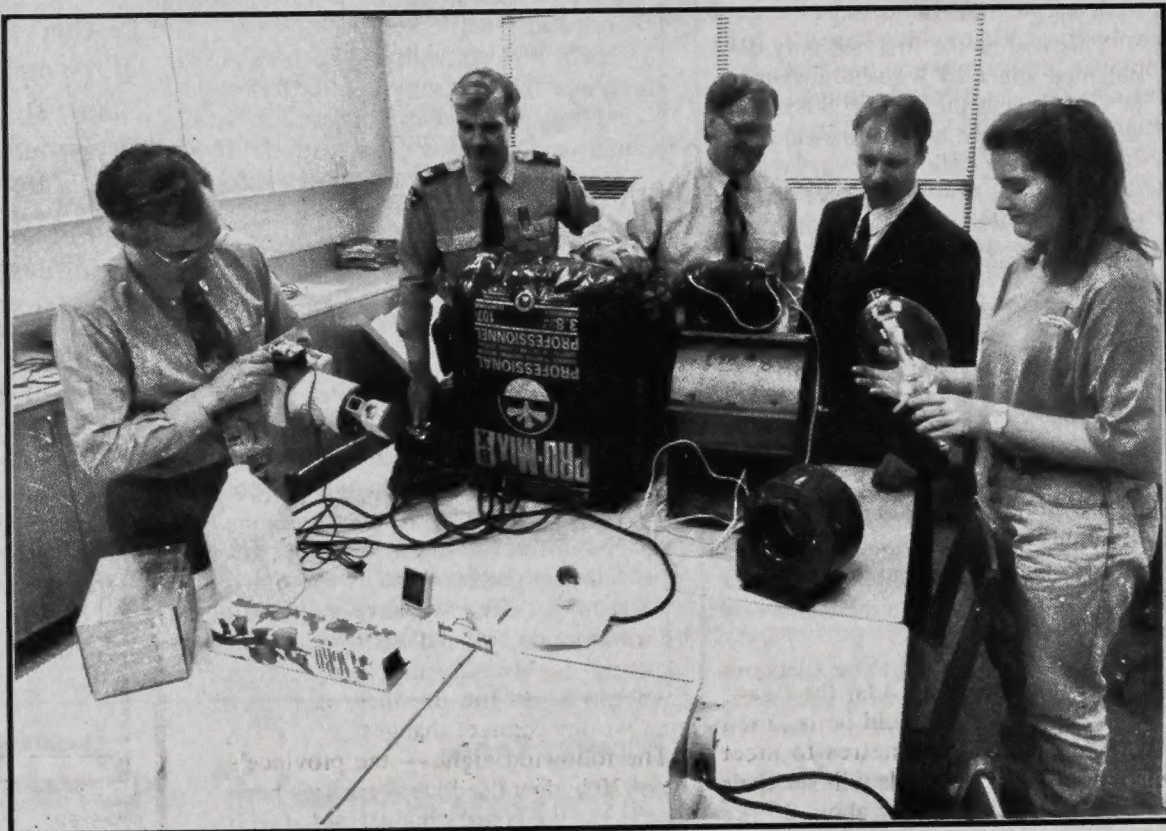
then she has been training intensely and competing on the indoor and outdoor circuits against many of world's top hurdlers. Tashlin is one of the strongest and technically perfect hurdlers in the world. Her biggest challenge has been to acquire the mental toughness that separates winners from the rest of the field.

Tashlin is presently living in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, where she trains at the Louisiana State University. She was competing at a meet in El Paso, Texas, this past weekend, and could not be reached for an interview. But her mother, Lynn, said earning a place on the Canadian Olympic team is the culmination of years of hard work and sacrifice for Lesley, who like most Canadian athletes, has had to juggle an intense training schedule with low paying, part time jobs that barely meet basic expenses.

While it's too soon to know if it can be arranged, Lynn Tashlin said she hopes to be in the stadium in Atlanta when Lesley steps into the blocks for the 100 m hurdle heats.

When the starting gun cracks, she'll have a cheering section at least as big as Haliburton County urging her to the tape. And no matter where she finishes, she's already made her family and friends immensely proud. The Olympic Creed says: "The most important thing in the Olympic Games is not to win but to take part, just as the most important thing in life is not the triumph but the struggle. The essential thing is not to have conquered, but to have fought well."

By earning a place on Canada's Olympic team, she's already has.



Looking over the hydroponic equipment given to HHSS are, from left: teacher Dave Mowat, Sergeant John Hatton, principal Gary Brohman, court officer Rick Johns, and student Christine Hatton.

Karma leads kids through the land of magic

by SUE CARR
Co-op Student

It was an afternoon of magic as kids of all ages gathered in the auditorium at Archie Stouffer Elementary School last Sunday. They oohed and aahed as magician "Princess Karma" pulled a white dove from her handkerchief. They laughed when 10-year-old Daniel Vanier, an assistant from the audience, had a bright red wig placed on his head in an effort to transform him into Marie Antoinette. And when such Disney hits as "Friend Like Me" from Aladdin, and "Colours of

the Wind" from Pocahontas belted out over the speakers, they sang along.

"Princess Karma-The Land of the Magic Frost" was a magic and fantasy show with something for everyone, whether it be live animals, the music of Seal and the Beatles, or even the comical antics of one of the entertainers as he persuaded an adult "volunteer" to help him with a strap on his strait jacket that was in an awkward spot. (For the record, he managed to get himself out of the strait jacket in 49 seconds.)

"Princess Karma" was presented by the Haliburton County Children's Concert Series.



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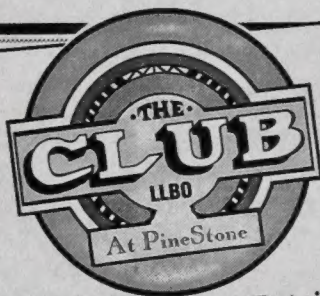
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School board hands rollback proposal to union leaders

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

Before Haliburton's school board reconsiders previously approved spending cuts or brings in new ones to absorb a provincial funding cut of about \$325,000, it plans to ask employee groups to help offset the lost revenue by taking wage and benefit rollbacks.

In a closed meeting Tuesday evening, trustees and administrators put together a proposal to offer the board's four employee groups, representing more than 200 workers, said board director Brad Saunders.

Members of the board's human resources committee will pitch the undisclosed proposal to union representatives at a series of closed-door meetings this week.

Following the previous week's welcome news from the province that a planned \$1.2-million funding cut will be capped at about a quarter the amount, board members had planned on Tuesday to discuss whether to alter or cancel any of the measures they had already approved to reduce their preliminary budget by \$625,000.

Among the spending cuts, the board ruled that all students could be required to walk up to two kilometres to meet their school buses, schools will see their budgets for supplies cut by about 20 per cent and supply teachers will be called to

work only after a teacher has been absent for more than two days.

The cuts brought the board's draft budget of 17.9-million in line with last year's spending of about \$17.3-million.

But instead of re-examining the merit of the cuts — which were originally made with the belief that the board would lose \$1.2-million in provincial funding — trustees have decided first to try to trim the board's payroll through negotiations with teachers and other board staff.

"Trustees don't want to make any decisions regarding changing cuts until they can settle this issue with the employee groups," explained Saunders.

Only after the unions respond to the proposal will the board know where it stands financially, said board chairwoman Wendy Ladurantaye.

The board is hoping

to make its necessary budget cuts without laying off staff, she said.

"The main premise everybody is working on is that they want to keep everyone employed. We don't want to handle this with pink slips," she said.

After the week of negotiations, the full board intends to hold another closed meeting on Monday night to discuss response from the union groups and approve any contract changes.

The following night — the province's April 30 budget deadline — trustees hope to approve the board's budget, along with a finalized list of spending cuts.

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Teachers await final news on size of grant reduction

Board chairwoman thinks province will deliver on promise

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

Don't be surprised to see anxious Haliburton school board officials pacing out front of the post office or standing by the fax machine at the board office.

They're still holding their breath waiting for confirmation from the Ministry of Education that word of a 15 per cent funding reduction cap is really coming.

Not that they don't believe Haliburton-Victoria MPP Chris Hodgson, who delivered the news that a potentially devastating \$1.2-million cut planned by the province will be held down to roughly \$325,000. They'd just like to see something in writing. Soon.

"We've had a proclamation from Mr. Hodgson, and we appreciate his efforts on our behalf, but at the same time he is from a different ministry. We would very much like to have something on paper from our (Education) Ministry," said board director Brad Saunders.

The board had been told it would receive written confirmation of Education Minister John Snobelen's decision to cap the board's funding reduction by April 12.

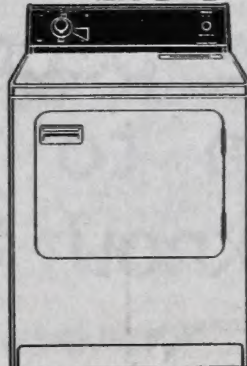
However, nothing arrived. By press time on Monday the board office was still waiting for written confirmation.

At a closed meeting of the board the previous Tuesday, many of the trustees expressed "a significant amount of unease" about going forward with budget cuts and contract negotiations with employee groups until they hear from the Ministry, said Saunders.

Board chairwoman Wendy Ladurantaye has her own reservations.

"I can't see how (the province) can come up and make a public announcement in front of 300 or 400 people and then not deliver," she said. "But after everything that's gone on over the past couple of months, I really don't trust them completely until I see it in writing."

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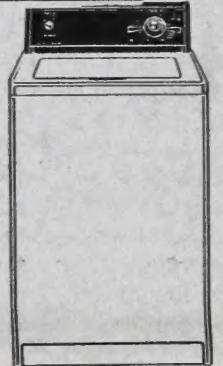


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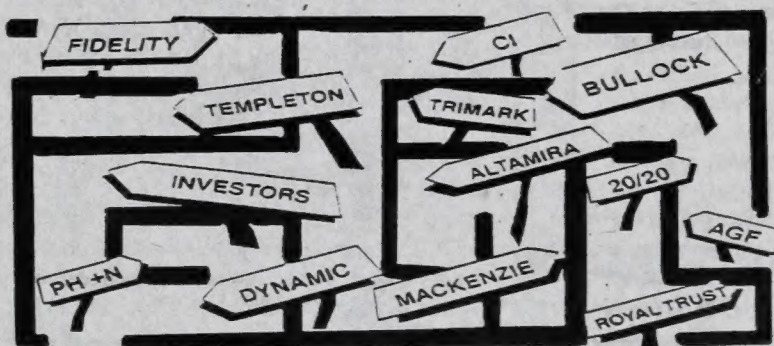
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A JOINT EFFORT: The new addition of the Glamorgan Community Centre was officially opened on April 13. Funding was split between municipal, provincial and federal governments. Here, past deputy-reeve (and present-day clerk) Glen Madill, Reeve Elva Bates, MP John O'Reilly and MPP Chris Hodgson take part in the unveiling ceremony.

Glamorgan opens improved community hall

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

To be a community, the people need a place to gather. And in Glamorgan, that place just got bigger and better.

The Glamorgan Community Centre is a place where people can celebrate togetherness and share their trials and jublations, said emcee Peter Rakowski at Saturday afternoon's official opening of the newly expanded and renovated community centre. The building represents the spirit that has bound communities together for time immemorial and he was glad that the pro-

ject involved all three levels of government – municipal, provincial and federal.

Made possible through the Ontario/Canada infrastructure program, Glamorgan has given the centre a facelift, adding a much bigger kitchen and putting in a new gym-like floor to replace the old wooden one. A gas furnace was also added, bringing the total cost to \$122,000.

"The infrastructure program is driven from the municipal level because you know what you want and the priorities that are important," said MPP Chris Hodgson. "Community centres bring out the best in people... and makes sure the quality of life improves."

MP John O'Reilly likened the program to a three-legged stool – each leg is important to provide balance and security, and all three must work together. He was pleased to see tax money returning to the community through such projects.

In welcoming everyone, Reeve Elva Bates also thanked the volunteers who worked long hours raising the municipality's one-third of the project's cost. "Their contributions are invaluable," she said. "May this community spirit continue to thrive and grow."

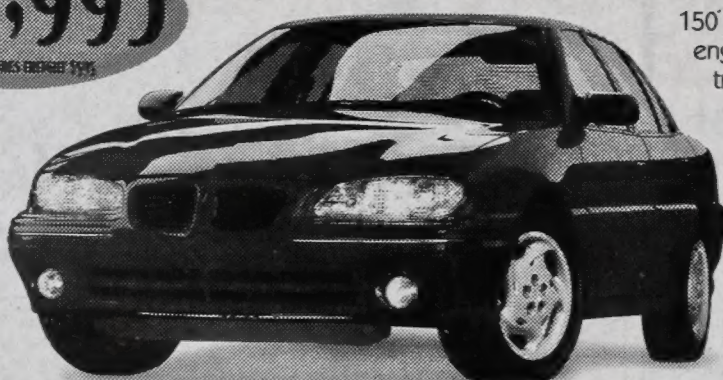
All three politicians, plus former deputy-reeve (and present-day clerk) Glen Madill unveiled a plaque acknowledging the contributions of all levels of government. Also present were Snowdon Reeve George Simmons, who brought greetings from Warden Murray Fearrey, members of Monmouth and Minden councils and past Glamorgan reeve Ken Maguire who turned the sod on the original building. Pastor Patrick Steel said the blessing and the refreshments were provided by Elsie Brown on behalf of the Gooderham Reformed Church.

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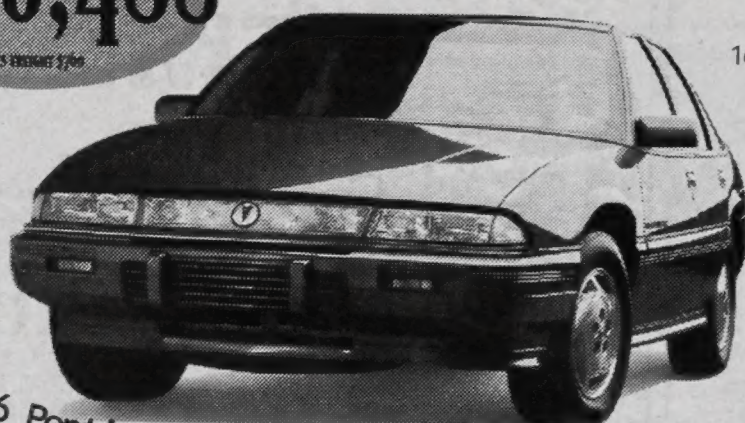
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Snowdon council votes itself a pay cut

Snowdon council realized that to be a leader, you have to take the first step, so it recently voted itself a drop in pay.

All councillors will receive \$1,000 a year less. The reeve's salary goes from \$5,000 a year to \$4,000; the deputy's drops from \$4,500 to \$3,500; and the three councillors will receive \$3,000 instead of \$4,000.

"There are more cuts and more responsibilities (for staff) coming down," says Reeve George Simmons. "If you're going to ask employees to have shorter hours in a week, you have to start with yourselves."

Snowdon is going to come in with a 0% budget increase despite funding cuts.

HCSA floats plan for new snowmobile crossing

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed at Anson, Hindon and Minden council's April 11 meeting.

The Haliburton County Snowmobile Association hopes to put a floating bridge across Gull River in Minden so that snowmobilers can travel into the village without riding on main street sidewalks.

Three business owners recently urged council to do something to stop the potential dangerous practice.

The municipality decided to tackle the problem by erecting posts on either side of the main street businesses, preventing snowmobile access to the sidewalks.

But the HCSA feels a separate bridge over the river would give riders another crossing and keep them away from pedestrians, while still enabling them to get into the village.

Bracebridge has a 240-foot floating bridge used as a crossing point for snowmobile traffic.

Councillors agreed to submit a letter of support for the idea along with the association's funding

request to the Ontario Federation of Snowmobile clubs to build the bridge.

Public works superintendent Clayton Cameron said at a recent meeting of the Minden BIA that he had received a quote of about \$70,000 to put in a floating bridge.

The HCSA has not yet proposed where the bridge might be located, if it is able to secure funding for its construction.

Waste tips

Minden resident Len Nesbitt, who plans to set up a business hauling other people's waste and recyclables to the dump, told councillors he disagrees with many of the components of the municipality's by-law for landfill sites.

Nesbitt isn't alone. Members of council's environmental advisory committee had many suggestions regarding the by-law at their meeting last week.

The recently passed by-law, governing rules and regulations for waste disposal, including new user fees, is scheduled to take effect May 1.

However, later in Thursday's meeting, councillors put a hold on the by-law, anticipating a need

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to make several amendments.

Clerk-treasurer Tammy McKelvey said the municipality hopes to make the changes in time for its meeting next week so a new by-law can be adopted.

Among other regulations, the by-law recommends a number of tipping fees and user fees, including:

- Furniture - \$5.00 per item;
- All other refuse:
- A \$1 charge per bag of household garbage after a maximum of five bags;
- \$10 per cubic yard;
- \$10 per pickup truck load;
- \$10 per utility trailer load.

Nesbitt told councillors he believes the tipping fee for furniture may actually act as a deterrent to people getting into the practice of recycling and reusing.

If they have to pay to drop something off that someone else may be able to reuse at the dump, they may not drop it off at all, he reasoned.

Furniture tipping fees should apply only to large items, such as chairs, sofas and mattresses, he recommended.

Smaller pieces of furniture that cannot be reused by others can be burned easily, said Nesbitt.

As well, he said, some of the fees appear to negate others. The by-law says there is a \$10 fee per cubic yard of waste, but it also says the municipality will charge \$10 per pickup load.

Nesbitt recommended that council consult its landfill site attendants to come up with its tipping fees, rather than relying on "outside experts."

Reeve Jeanne Anthon explained the municipality is still trying to come up with a more effective by-law.

"This is an evolving situation so nothing is finalized," she said.

The municipality is trying to put together a system that rewards those who recycle and reuse waste, while making it more expensive for those who don't, she said.

"Right now everyone is paying for the landfill sites through their property taxes," said Anthon. "It will become a direct user-pay concept, rather than through property taxes, and I think that's fair."

What rivalry?

Councillors from Dysart and Minden have begun getting together for informal meetings to discuss issues of common interest to both municipalities.

"It shows there's no such thing as a Haliburton-

Minden contest at least on a local government level," said Anthon.

The two councils were to meet over dinner last week to carry on their "good will" gatherings.

Pay increases

Council approved "merit increases" for two municipal employees. The arena manager's salary was increased to \$33,240 annually, while the town hall receptionist/secretary received an increase to \$11 per hour.

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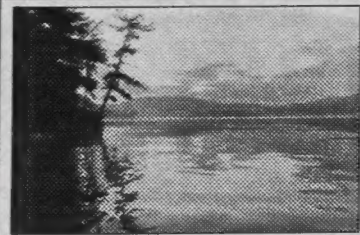
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Editorial

Optimism in the face of adversity

IT'S A TRUISM THAT THE ONLY constant in life is change, but most of us would be happier with a little less of it. Every business, every organization and institution faces daunting challenges that are hard to grasp, whether they are driven by technological innovation, financial constraints, or evolving attitudes. In a time of rapid change and uncertainty, there is a natural desire to cling to the familiar, to fight for the status quo. The battle to defend what has been and keep change at bay produces high levels of stress. You can feel it wherever you go in Haliburton County these days. People are worried. They feel threatened. No one can predict whether the economic future being shaped today will produce new jobs and greater opportunities, or whether we've entered an era of slow and inexorable decline. If your job is at risk from cutbacks, or the business that employs you is struggling, it's hard to be optimistic.

Yet change is all around us and no amount of wishing or worrying or protesting will make it disappear. The challenge we all face, both individually and organizationally, is first to accept it, and then to find creative ways to manage it.

Nowhere is the pressure and pace of change more acutely felt at the local level than in the field of education. So it was revealing to learn, last week, that Sir Sandford Fleming College has chosen to embrace change and chart a new course. That message was brought to the Rotary Club of Haliburton last week by Sir Sandford president, Dr. Brian Desbiens.

Dr. Desbiens was forthright in his description of the challenges Sir Sandford has faced and will continue to face. But he also made it clear he was not going to "whine" about had been lost. Instead, he emphasized that the college is embracing change, rethinking every aspect of its structure and programs, and building an organization that will be smaller but unquestionably better.

Like other publically funded organizations, Sir Sandford did not choose to radically remake itself. Grant reductions forced it to adapt. From a peak of \$56 million, the college's budget will be \$47 million this year, a twenty percent decline. Obviously no organization can do everything it did and employ everyone it employed with a lot less money. Dr Desbien described the process as "painful and threatening." The college has laid off staff, closed programs, reviewed and reorganized, shrunk administration by 25 percent, and reduced teaching staff from 535 full time positions to 460. At the same time, demand for the college's programs has been growing. Its student population is twice as large as it was in 1988.

Despite these huge challenges, Dr. Desbiens remains optimistic about the college's future in a changing world. He believes the college must forge new partnerships with the private sector, and limit its reliance on government. The key, it seems, is not to waste time and energy defending what was but to find new ways to move forward, to develop a proactive rather than a re-active strategy.

Dr. Desbien's approach to managing the funding crisis at Sir Sandford could serve as a model for other local organizations, notably the Haliburton County Board of Education. At the moment, trustees, teachers and parents are having a hard time finding anything positive about the prospects of declining grants. Teachers unions are gearing up to defend the status quo. The process will be confrontational rather than conciliatory. Parents who can ill afford to hand over more of their income to the board and other levels of government through taxation, rail against any form of change. Trustees succumb to emotional arguments that make little or no fiscal sense, while at the same time they slash budgets without a full understanding of the implications. Can we afford to keep small schools open, and if we do, what else do we have to give up. Is it fair to teach small classes in Dorset or Wilberforce, and much larger classes of the same grade at Hodgson Elementary or Archie Stouffer? Should some programs be phased out because they are not longer useful or affordable? Can private enterprise or non teaching staff provide some of the services such as library staffing and guidance, that are now handled by teachers? There are many tough questions to answer. The first and biggest challenge is to accept the fact that change is inevitable. The results can be positive if we manage the process well, and that means embracing consultation, co operation and consensus, not conflict and confrontation. L.P.



Skippers with heart

by Peter Downs

Letters to the Editor

Meeting was a 'smoke screen'

To the Editor:

I attended the parent - school board meeting at the high school last recently. I went there to learn in more detail exactly how the budget cuts were to effect my children. I was the first parent to arrive and as I walked into the gym and looked at how the room was set up it didn't bode well for the parents who attended. It was clearly set up in an us and them forum. The rules for being able to say your piece were juvenile to say the least. People really! We are adults, and by the way, our taxes pay your salary. Don't forget that. The parents who took the time to make out a statement to read were made to come down to the front and report to a board official who in turn took your name to the front to another board official who in turn read your name to give you permission to speak. All that was necessary was to identify yourself when you spoke. This meeting was supposed to be for our benefit and it was a farce. As to Mr. Hodgson, he got up there and gave us his speech on how the rumours of 1.2 million dollar cuts were inaccurate and that when you take into account this and that and you add this and that you get this and that! What? This was a well orchestrated smoke screen. The parents who got up to speak after this were somewhat disarmed and if they did fire off a few there were blanks.

I would like to make a few analogies to describe this meeting. Mr. Hodgson was the gentleman farmer who was taking his new workers to the barn to show them what they had to do. He takes these people on a lovely scenic route to the barn point-

ing out some lovely flowers and landscaping along the way, but when they get to the barn the task at hand is still the same. They have to shovel the, you know what, out of the way. Our gentleman farmer, in the meantime, is spreading it around. To my mind, the stuff was knee deep and we learned nothing of any real benefit. The farmer took the chickens out to the chopping block but he didn't want to struggle with them so he set a big fat June bug on the other side of the block and when they stretched their necks across to get their prize we all know what happened.

I am asking all the parents who attended last night to demand the board meet with us again when they are better informed. Why is it that they didn't know what the low down was until Mr. Hodgson arrived. Somebody isn't doing their homework. Tsk, tsk, tsk! The next time we take the time to come and meet with you we want to know just exactly how these cuts are to effect our children. Saying that they are cutting back on spending in and of itself is a good thing. The problem is that none of the cuts are going to hurt the high paid fellows sitting at the front last night. One individual is taking home four or five times what most of us ever see per year and instead of taking care to save money each year he has been in office he has seen this as an opportunity to spend our money how and when he pleased.

Our children attend the Wilberforce school, which, by the way, has grown by leaps and

bounds. The school itself is in need of expansion and sadly in need of repair and renovations. Because we are a so-called small school our very existence is in jeopardy.

The quality of our children's education and time, to my mind, has been put into the wrong hands. We enjoy an excellent teaching staff and our children will be some of the first ones to suffer under these new money-saving policies. For the lack of several thousand dollars, the Kinark Services have been cut. If we lower the salaries of the big boys down to a realistic level we could fund such services. I don't think people here really mind paying thirty dollars more on school taxes if we can see major pay cuts at the top and elimination of the so-called perks. We pay these already overpaid bureaucrats to attend meetings out of town. Give us a break. You can well afford to make those trips out of your own pocket. After all, it is your job.

My job, as a parent, is to look after my children the very best that I can and I take this responsibility very seriously. When my child needs to go to the doctor or the hospital, no one steps in and pays me mileage to do my job! Maybe the job description for these high profile jobs should not be the high salary but a keen dedication to the welfare of the people they are supposed to be serving.

Della Marie Outram,
Parent and Constituent

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Companeeeee ... March!

A BILL PRESENTLY under scrutiny is the Young Offenders Act. It is becoming increasingly apparent that the current way of dealing with them is just not working and a change to the system is needed.

I was recently watching a TVO documentary about the possible implementation of a military style of reform, aka boot camp. I was a little cynical at the outset, thinking that I would see how terrible this was and how the offenders were beaten into submission by their commanding officers. But instead, I was drawn into the story of a group of teenagers whose lives had been dramatically changed for the better by strict discipline, combined with counselling and positive reinforcement. I started to think that maybe this type of rehabilitation had some possibilities. You see I know a little about boot camp. No, I wasn't a juvenile delinquent but I did go to a strict military type school. I went to Immaculata High School, an all girls school run by nuns.

I must tell you I chose to go to "Mac" as it was known, the school that was also my mother's alma mater. We were fitted for our royal blue plaid skirts and wescots and purchased the regulation amount of white blouses and navy knee socks. We were told that wearing a uniform allowed everyone to be the same. There was no distinction according to what kind of designer label you had. And it was true. You may think that there was no room for individuality but we were forced to make our mark with our opinions and talents rather than our clothes. Sports and other activities were a huge part of our daily lives since "idle minds and bodies only lead to trouble". Academic excellence was more often the norm since there were none of those pesky boys to distract us, after all. It was a great school albeit a very strict school.

People now laugh at the notion that all the doors were locked after the first bell and you had to ring the bell at the office to get in if you were late. That was one way to keep tabs on everyone. Students were not allowed to go outside in between classes and smoking on the premises was absolutely forbidden. Teachers demanded respect and for the most part got it. My math teacher was a pencil-thin white-haired nun who had also taught my mother. When she talked you listened and not having your homework completed was akin to committing treason. Our principal was a rather large woman named Sr. Anna Clare. I was still rather daunted by her when I returned for my ten year reunion. I remember one incident of mischief by some errant girls that had the entire school called together for an assembly and a coffee house cancelled because nobody would own up to hiding the janitors' mops. Believe it. These nuns were not people to fool around with.

It may sound primitive and beyond belief by today's standards but my high school years were five of the best of my life. I loved Mac and all that went with it, including those crusty Grey Nuns. Ours was not a wealthy private school but more a sound academic institution run on a shoe-string budget. You've never seen a penny pincher like Sr. Ignatius. Quite often, frustrated parents would send their wild daughters to the nuns to see if there was anything they could do with them. And while there were the few exceptions, by the end of the five years most of those same "juvies" had turned into intelligent young women ready to take on the rest of the world with their brains. While those Sisters instilled fear in our hearts, they also always made sure we knew our worth and that we could make our mark in the world. I believe we needed those strict guidelines at that age. We needed to know what the boundaries were and I believe that is still true today. It is a complicated world in which we live. I feel that firm discipline gives much needed structure to teenagers who may not be ready to make tough decisions asked of them by peers and the rest of the world. We still had sex, drugs and rock and roll to contend with even way back then. But we also had Brigadier General Sr. Anna Clare to make us tow the line. Ten-Hut ladies!

Letter to the Editor

Doctors didn't issue on-call fee ultimatum

To the Editor:

The doctors of the Haliburton Family Medical Centre would like to comment on remarks by Doug Campbell as printed in the Minden Times and Haliburton County Echo. Either Mr. Campbell is misquoted or he was misinformed when he made comments to the effect that the Haliburton physicians issued an ultimatum during negotiations for an on-call stipend. Negotiations were undertaken with St. Joseph's Hospital in good faith and in a professional manner without threats or ultimatums. After two

months of negotiation, a mutually agreeable solution was made.

We feel that the comments made by Mr. Campbell appearing in both papers are inaccurate and inflammatory.

We would appreciate the inaccuracy of Mr. Campbell's comments being made known to the members of the Haliburton Health Services Board.

**Norman E. Bottum, M.D.,
C.C.F.P.,
President - Medical Staff
on behalf of Medical Staff
- Haliburton Hospital**



ANECDOTES

Anne Creelman



Pic of the Past

Roads aren't quite as muddy as they used to be, but spring is definitely in the air in the Highlands. This photo, taken in the early 1940s, showing Millers General Store on Pine Street.

Haliburton (the former Banks Heritage Store) in the background. The pick-up truck is parked in on a vacant lot directly across from the store. The street is now lined with many houses.

Trimming fat without cutting away meat is the trick

NOTHING HAS become more obvious over the past few years than the truth of the old maxim that an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure. This is especially so in the sphere of health and social services. Children who are taught not to smoke avoid the ravages of lung cancer in later life. Marriage counselling helps avert the emotional and financial nightmare of family breakup and divorce. Kids with developmental problems can be diagnosed at an early age and treated in the community, obviating the need for expensive institutionalized treatment at a later date. In short, the time and effort put into prevention is usually well worth while.

Formal schooling traditionally gave its students the "Three R" skills necessary to find a job and cope with day-to-day life. Education in the broadest sense, however, which equips children with those spiritual tools — compassion, discipline, self-worth, a sense of purpose — required to develop their human potential, was



PERSPECTIVES

Lon Duncombe

taught largely by parents, the extended family, church, and friends. It helped them avoid the pitfalls, vices and maladaptive behaviour that can ruin a productive life.

We have, over the past three decades, entered into a brave new world. As our traditional social structure becomes increasingly afflicted by financial and ideological constraints, we look to our schools to provide many of the services previously the preserve of family and community. They must provide life skills, broaden horizons through an exposure to the arts and culture, teach those previously considered unteachable, and counsel kids lacking the support of the traditional family. Teachers must occasionally play the role of friend, councilor and surrogate parent to their students.

To argue that our schools are overstepping their traditional mandate is no doubt correct.

In a perfect world there would be no need for manners and morals to be taught in the classroom. In our world, however, this aspect of formal education is becoming crucial for many of our kids. A friend commented that cottagers would probably prefer a higher tax bill to increased incidents of vandalism and theft. It is a point to ponder for those, including yours truly, who have been dumping on the local educational establishment for its perceived tendencies towards over-spending and empire building. Publicly funded schools must continue to pick up the slack in the area of ethics and morals.

The trick is, of course, for our local board to demonstrate an ability to reach and teach our most troubled students and mold them into productive citizens. In this respect, eliminating Kinark services and going for a four day school week appear to me to be a great leap backward. Cut the fat, please, not the meat. Otherwise, we will all start paying in spades for the decline in traditional community life.

Boonieville

by Charlie Telford



Coping with cuts a painful process for SSFC

To the Editor:

Sir Sandford Fleming College must deal with budget cuts from both federal and provincial governments which total \$11.2 million over the next two years. The Board must cut \$8.5 million from the 1996-97 budget and cut an additional \$2.7 million in the following year. It is in the context of an \$11 million permanent reduction in funding from a \$56 million budget that the Board and management have worked to develop academic and financial plans for the future of the college.

As one of the many strategies to resolve this very large shortfall in funding, the college will be vacating its Monaghan Road facility and the Daniel Building on McDonnell Street. These moves will help in the reduction of operating expenses targeted at \$1 million. Therefore, in

addition to dealing with serious financial constraints, the college is facing a severe shortage of space and we have been unsuccessful in repeated attempts to obtain provincial government support for capital expansion.

Other strategies have included a reorganization and downsizing of the administration of the college, with the elimination of 14 management positions for a saving of \$1 million. Targeted reductions in faculty and support staff total \$4.8 million. We have not completed all the staffing changes but we know that a significant number of people will lose full-time or part-time employment. As well, we have had to suspend four academic programs, modify eight others and ask for changes to an additional 16 programs. With fewer programs and fewer faculty, we have had to restrict enrollment.

Letter to the Editor

These have been very difficult decisions for the Board and management. Fewer students will be able to attend Sir Sandford Fleming College. Dedicated, new and long-service employees will be leaving and our presence in Peterborough will eventually be reduced to one major physical location.

Over the past few weeks there has been significant media coverage in Peterborough, voicing concern about the imminent closing of the pool at the Sutherland campus. Today, faced with huge reductions in revenue, we can no longer subsidize the pool facility and we must make optimal use of all available space.

The Board has approved the transformation of the pool and some surrounding areas (a total of 16,000 square feet) into a Student Centre. Very few students

use the pool and, in a recent survey, the students placed the highest priority on computing access, study and meeting areas and informal student space.

Building the Student Centre will also create more teaching space. When the student groups move to the Centre, they will vacate 4,000 square feet of space that we will convert into five large classrooms accommodating 60 students each or an additional 300 students per hour. The Board believes that the Student Centre

will strengthen the student academic experience and welcomes the Student Administrative Council (SAC) as full partners in the project. SAC is investing \$600,000 of accumulated students savings into the Centre and will carry full financial responsibility for its operation.

Even as we face future funding uncertainty, Sir Sandford Fleming College will continue to serve the community in a multitude of ways. We have opened up new scheduling/enrollment options to provide access to studies year-round. We are working with local and regional

businesses to meet their training needs. Our students contribute to local organizations while on placement. It has been a very difficult time for all members of the college community but we remain dedicated to our mission of high quality post secondary education in applied arts and technology for these are the skills essential to creating positive futures for both our students and our society.

Kathryn Campbell,
Board Chair,
Sir Sandford
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Chamber busy at shows, planning fundraising events

by **CONNIE SIMS**
Chamber President

Hello fellow Chamber members and business associates.

We are off to a good start this year, with an enthusiastic Board of Directors. This board is made up of 13 members, with backgrounds from varied businesses within Haliburton County.

Brian Dean, General Manager and Ethel Muli, Executive Assistant, work together as a team, to keep the day to day operations of the office running smoothly. Since January, the staff has attended The Toronto Fishing Show and The Ottawa Boat and Fishing Show in order to promote Haliburton County. The Chamber of Commerce was also represented at the Toronto Sportsman's Show, and will be at the Cottage Life Show from March 29-31, 1996.

We have some exciting events planned for fundraising. A beautiful 16 foot cedar strip Langford canoe is being raffled. Tickets are available at the Chamber office at the minimal cost of \$2 each. Draw will take place Labour Day weekend, be sure to get your ticket! I have been informed by directors past and present, that a gala ball was a much anticipated event in previous years. During the course of planning

this popular evening it had grown to a black tie event with a big band and all. Marion Teatro and her committee are trying hard to resurrect this tradition once again. Watch future columns for news of these exciting plans.

During January, the office received over 2,000 telephone inquiries. Many of these calls were repetitious inquiries of upcoming events and trail conditions. Since that time, a state of the art Bell telephone system has been installed. Now, when calls come into the office an automated attendant answers, providing snowmobile and nordic trail conditions which are updated daily. Both Brian and Ethel have their own voice mail.

Our business to business meetings are a great success. These evening meetings are an opportunity to meet with other Chamber members, network and fellowship. The dates are set for the next nine meetings; four remaining in 1996 and five in 1997.

Now that the cold dark winter is finally over, many of you are busy with renovating, painting and generally sprucing up your businesses in anticipation of the busy summer of 1996.

I hope many of you will stop into the Chamber office and check out the new fresh look.

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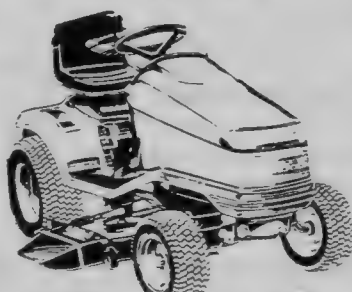
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HHSS seniors take Kawartha Badminton championship

by ANNA TOMLINSON

Haliburton's Senior Badminton team took home the Kawartha tournament trophy for the second year in a row with three firsts and one third place finish.

After mentally preparing for the game with a little opera, "wild" Will Wallace led the way with a first place finish in men's singles that even Mozart would have been proud of. Will won each of his games without a problem and proved without a question that he was the best men's singles player at the tournament.

In mixed doubles, Bobbi Griffin and Jamie Thivierge were the next to take home a red ribbon. Bobbi and Jamie set the level of play in their division easily dominating each game they played.

The third red ribbon of the day was taken home by the dynamite duo of Stacey Bunn and Jody Reid, who triumphantly won three straight games. And working her way back up the ladder, Anna Tomlinson finished the day with a hard-earned third place finish.

Next week the competition gets harder once again at the Central Ontario level, but Coach Yake says, "If the seniors play with as much heart and determination

next Wednesday as they showed at the Kawartha tournament, they have nothing to worry about!"

Last Wednesday three Junior badminton teams also travelled to Peterborough for the Kawartha tournament. Amber-Lee Cully and Nicky Gauley conquered the ladies' doubles division despite tough competition. Coach Paton said, "Amber and Nicki deserved to be champions as their high skill level enabled them to outplay all of their opponents."

In mixed doubles it was Freya Lilius and Graeme Fawcett who came home victorious on Wednesday. Improving their play throughout the season, Graeme and Freya worked hard to capture a fourth place finish, earning themselves a place in next week's tournament.

In men's doubles Jason Meyers and John Consack were unable to identify; however, they played hard all year and enjoyed many successes throughout their season.

The Junior Central Ontario Championships will be held next Wednesday in I.E. Weldon, and the Senior Central Ontario championships will be held next Tuesday in Madoc. Haliburton High School would like to take this opportunity to wish all the badminton players the best of luck. Go Redmen!



SERVING UP SUCCESS: Junior and senior badminton players from HHSS competed at the Kawartha championships last week. The seniors repeated as tournament champs for the second year in a row with three firsts and a third, while the juniors took a first and fourth.

Runners calm before joining throng in Boston's historic 100th marathon

by SUE CARR
HHSS Co-op Student

Tens of thousands of people lined the streets of Boston on last Monday, April 15, to watch, if not participate in, the 100th anniversary of the Boston Marathon. Many Canadians were among the huge throng who set out to run the 26 miles, 385 yard course, and among them were two enthusiastic runners from Haliburton County. Friday afternoon, the day before they set off for Boston, Marcel Crete and Ian Moorehouse were not yet experiencing much nervousness.

"Nervous will come on Monday morning!" Moorehouse predicted before the event.

With the marathon only days away, the men were preparing for the run by relaxing, eating the proper foods, and maybe going on a "short" run of 2 or 3 miles (which, to a couch potato like me, might as well be the Boston Marathon!)

Speaking of potatoes, food is an important factor the night

before the race. Filling up on sugar the day of the race would only give the two runners a quick burst of energy, whereas eating a healthy meal full of carbohydrates such as pastas, rice, and of course potatoes, gives the men the energy they need to complete the gruelling course.

Neither of the men expected to actually win the race, which attracts an elite field of the world's top marathoners. Like thousands of other participants, they just wanted to have a good running time, have some fun, and be able to say they had completed the famous marathon.

The weather during the week before the race was awful—snowy and cold—what would the runners do if the clouds, on the day of the race, decided to open up once again?

"I'm sleeping in!" laughed Moorehouse.

(Next week *The Echo* will have a story on how Crete and Moorehouse fared at the big race.)

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JUMPING FOR A CAUSE: Students at J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School raised more than \$8,600 for the Heart and Stroke Foundation last week in the Jump for Heart fundraiser. Above, Rebecca Howitt demonstrates her skills, while, at right, Liane Dron and Carrie Feir jump the same rope.



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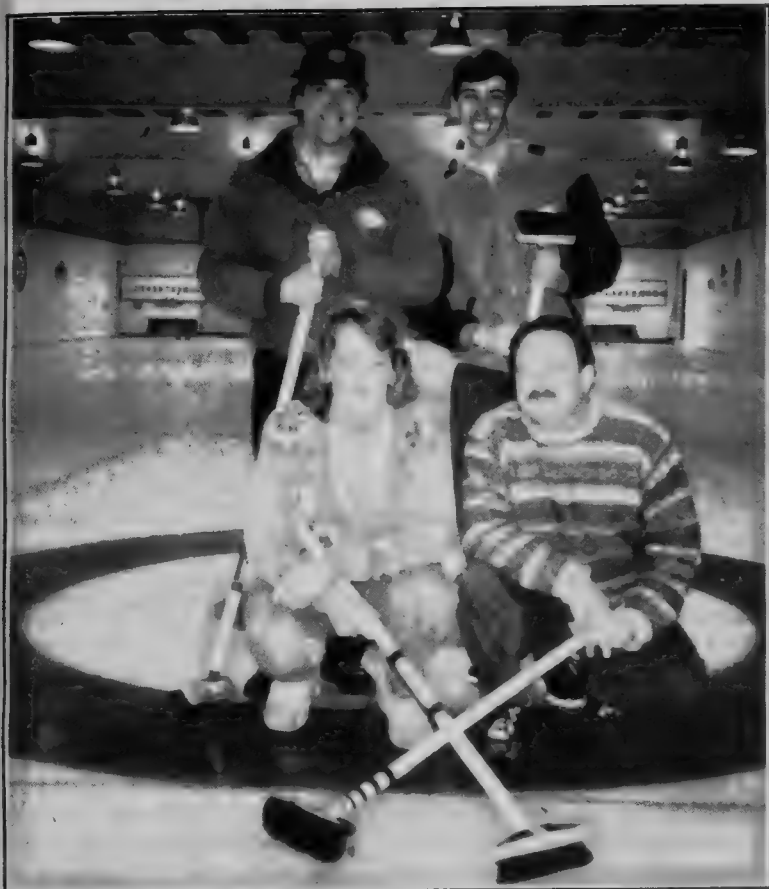
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Haliburton curlers win trophies

TOP CURLERS:

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WEDNESDAY WINNERS:

At left, winners of the Elstone Trophy for the Wednesday Mixed schedule at the Haliburton Curling club was the rink of, back row: Tom Diblee, Cliff Smith, front: Karen Koz, and skip Bob Johnston. They also captured the B playoff title.



AHSB to handle interim mental health funding

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

The Acting Health Services Board will apply to become an interim "conduit" for mental health funding.

SIRCH has agreed to divest its sponsorship of mental health funding through its counselling centre, and while a committee is looking at long-term ways to provide the service, consumers need immediate support.

A problem arises because "quite a few of them will no longer access services provided at SIRCH," AHSB executive director Foster Loucks said.

At a recent meeting, he said he believed the board would be willing to have government funding be re-directed through it. He was right.

This arrangement would "allow us further time to establish our credibility" with consumers, Loucks says.

He'd like the board to assume the program responsibility, but the committee is also looking into other possibilities, such as the Victoria County branch of the Canadian Mental Health Association.

Who provides the service "somewhat depends on what the consumers want... I don't think we can afford to neglect our role," said Loucks.

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SEARCH AND RESCUE DRAW: Haliburton's Search and Rescue volunteers held a raffle recently to raise funds to purchase radios and other equipment. President Jim Chatterton, left, helped Dysart reeve Murray Fearrey make the draw. The top prize of \$500 was won by N. Hill. Second prize of \$100 went to R. Shaw, while H. Whittaker received third prize of \$50.

Museum struggles to cope with budget cuts

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

The Haliburton Highlands Museum may have to layoff staff temporarily, reduce hours of operation and raise admission fees to absorb about \$10,000 in lost funding, says its director.

Members of the museum's board of directors are considering the measures, but haven't finalized their plans, explained Tom Ballantine.

The museum has seen its annual budget of about \$100,000 cut by nearly 20 per cent, or

roughly \$20,000, through provincial, federal and municipal funding cuts over the past couple of years, Ballantine said.

Most recently, Dysart council — the museum's primary funding source — decreased its financing for the museum by

\$5,000 to a total of \$70,000 for year ahead.

"Our cut wasn't as severe as I had anticipated, but it is still going to have a significant impact because we've already been dealing with previous cuts," Ballantine said.

The museum lost another \$5,000 to provincial and federal cutbacks, he said.

Because much of the museum's budget is eaten up on fixed costs, such as heat, electricity, building maintenance and wages, the cuts mean there will be fewer dollars to be spent on special projects and programs.

"When we lose money we're losing it from the things that are discretionary, and those are the things that make it a good museum," said Ballantine.

While many assume incorrectly the museum simply opens the doors to its buildings for people to browse over the various artifacts, there is a great deal of time-consuming restoration, research and documentation that goes on behind the scenes for every object the museum displays.

As well, the five old buildings on the museum's grounds

require a lot of costly maintenance to remain open.

To absorb the overall loss of revenue, the museum is thinking of reducing its hours of operation and increasing admission charges slightly.

The museum has applied for student help during the summer through various provincial and federal government programs.

It is waiting to see whether the applications are successful before deciding to cut back hours. Currently, the museum is open seven days per week from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

In addition, Ballantine anticipates he and the museum's only other full-time employee, curator Steve Hill, will likely have to take "layoffs of short durations."

Traditionally, the museum hires one summer staffer, but it doesn't plan to this summer.

Despite the cuts, Ballantine said he intends to run the best museum possible on the budget he's been given.

"We're still in business. We'll be here," he said. "... We're going to work with what we have. I'm not going to dwell on what we might've had. That's the only way to look at it."

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NOTICE OF COMPLETION

The above project has been planned under Schedule B in accordance with the requirements of the Class Environment Assessment for Municipal Road Projects. Subject to comments received as a result of this Notice, and the receipt of other necessary approvals, the County of Haliburton intends to proceed with the construction of this project.

The preferred solution is a total reconstruction of the present roadway, conducting most of the road related improvements within the existing right of way. In accordance with comments received at the initial public meeting, the Roads Department has endeavored to preserve the natural beauty of the Hamlet of Ingoldsby, minimizing traumatic change to the physical elements within the area. The estimated cost of the road improvements is 160 thousand dollars with completion targeted for the fall of 1996.

For further information on this project, or to inspect a copy of the Class Environment Assessment, please contact:

County of Haliburton Roads Department
3 St. Germaines Street
P.O. Box 880, Minden, Ont. K0M 2K0
Monday to Friday 8:30am - 4:30pm
(705) 286-1762

The Roads Department graciously invites all interested individuals and/or parties to an "OPEN HOUSE" at the Ingoldsby United Church on Saturday May 4th from 2:00pm to 4:00pm, for final review and discussion.

If concerns regarding this project cannot be resolved in discussion with the County, an individual/party may request that the Minister of Environment and Energy bump-up the project to an individual Environmental Assessment. A Bump-up request must be received by the Minister at the address below within 30 calendar days of this Notice. A copy of the request shall be forwarded to the County Engineer. If there are no objections received by June 3rd, the South Kashagawigamog Lake Road project will proceed to final approval and construction as presented in the planning documentation.

Minister of Environment and Energy
135 St. Clair Avenue
15th Floor, Toronto, Ontario
M4V 1P5

This Notice issued April 22, 1996
Leslie A. Shepherd, P.Eng.,
County Engineer

Permit change sparks fears of more fire calls

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed at Stanhope council's April 9 meeting.

Stanhope fire chief Bob Pollard told councillors he is worried the Ministry of Natural Resources' plan to stop issuing most fire permits could mean the department will have to respond to more fires.

The MNR is planning to cut costs by essentially getting out of the fire permit business.

Though they will no longer need to hold a permit, people are supposed to continue following the same requirements and restrictions when burning wood, brush, grass and leaves, or using an incinerator.

But Pollard suspects the move could lead to more work for the

department's volunteer firefighters.

"It's going to cause us a certain amount of heartache I'm sure," he told councillors.

"My first feeling when I read this was that our fire department will get more calls," agreed deputy-reeve Eleanor Harrison. "Who's to say who's responsible?"

Under the proposal, municipalities can begin offering their own fire permits, if they wish.

"In a way it's a method of downloading because there are certain costs," said clerk Gerald Bain.

Reeve Jock Mavor suggested the municipality monitor the situation for the coming year and put pressure on the MNR to reinstate the permits, if there are problems.

As well, he said, the fire department could

weren't properly tended.

The MNR will continue to issue permits for large-scale burns.

Van hunting

Pollard asked councillors to think of the fire department when they are putting together the municipality's budget.

For the past three years the fire department has been raising money for the purchase of a new first response emergency van to replace the existing one.

The department has banked about \$24,000 through fundraising activities and has been paid an additional \$31,000 by the province for responding to accidents on provincial highways.

Council had previously agreed to top up the fire department's van fund with a target date for its purchase in 1996, said Pollard.

"I know it's not a good year, but the years aren't going to get any better unfortunately," he said.

Pollard said he had already investigating the market for new and used vans.

Prices range anywhere from about \$5,000 for something on the very bottom end of the used scale to about \$200,000 for a brand new top-end van.

Impounding dogs

Council is hoping to work out an arrangement to impound stray dogs at the municipality of Dysart's kennel, rather than setting up a holding facility of its own.

Once the municipality catches a stray dog it is required to hold it for at least three days before turning it over to the vet to be put down.

However, it is costly and troublesome to take care of the dogs until they are claimed by their owners or put to sleep.

"People don't want to get into this," said by-law officer Jim Moore. "This is a dirty job that people don't want to get involved in."

Councillors discussed establishing a holding area for dogs at the municipality's old roads yard, but decided it would create too many problems. Not only would the dogs make a lot of noise, but also somebody would

be required to look after the animals and clean their cages.

A resident offered to hold the dogs at his property, but councillors decided against the proposal because his land is not zoned properly and the noise would likely disturb his neighbours.

Instead, they are hoping to pay Dysart a fee to take in Stanhope's stray dogs and take them to the vet, if they haven't been claimed.

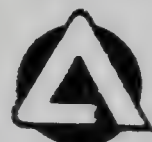
Bain said the municipality only rarely catches stray dogs.

"Last year we only picked up two the whole year," he said.

Building permit fees

Building permit rates were increased slightly for homes, cottages and accessory buildings, but the municipality's fees are "still low" compared to neighbouring townships, said by-law officer Jim Moore.

The permit rate for constructing a home or cottage has increased 5¢ per square foot to 20¢ from 15¢. The rate for accessory buildings, such as sheds and garages, has also gone up 5¢ to 15¢ from 10¢.



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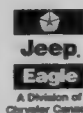
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Business — Briefs...



NEW SIGN COMPANY OPENS IN MINDEN: Haliburton Victoria MPP Chris Hodgson was on hand recently to help Craig Bunn open his new business, Craig's Signs. Also present were AH&M reeve Jean Anthon and councillors Sinc Nesbitt, and Grant Plooard.



Country Fabric and Sewing is now open on the Main Street in Minden. Owners Lou-Ann Harrison and Darlene Pettes are offering a wide range of colours and fabrics, including bridalwear, Spandex, denim and OshKosh prints, as well as rainwear, swimwear and patterns. With many years of sewing experience, they can help you with your sewing and craft questions. Folkart will also be on sale and they will take orders for both folkart and sewing. Visit them beside Beckers or call 286-4785.



TOP COLOURERS: vanLieshout Realty in Haliburton presented prizes donated by Binney and Smith (Crayola) to the winners of its Molly Maple colouring contest, which was judged by artist Ed Araquel, right. Joining MPP Chris Hodgson, second from left, and Anthony vanLieshout, right, are Darren Johnston, 9; Matthew Eno, 5; Chelsea McKelvey, 8; Christopher Muirhead, 3; and Riley Sisson, 4. Absent is 12-year-old Chelsea Grace.

Pilots to pay more at Stanhope's airport

by **PETER DOWNS**
Staff Reporter

Stanhope Airport has increased its user fees in an effort to recover a portion of the \$10,000 in grant revenue it will lose from the province this year.

Pilots will now pay more to keep their planes at the airport and commercial fliers, such as charter companies and Med-Evac flights, will have to pay a new fee of \$10 per landing to touch down at the airport.

However, the schedule of increased rates and new fees Stanhope council approved at its meeting two weeks ago are slightly lower than those recommended last month by airport manager Mike Carey.

Carey suggested the municipality charge pilots an additional \$100 a year to lease the airport's hangars.

The increase would boost the annual rental rate of three new

hangars to \$1,100 and the price for 11 older hangars would rise to \$731.

But council decided on smaller increases, setting the annual cost of the new hangars at \$1,070 and the older ones at \$696.

"It's a compromise," said Carey. "There's not a whole lot of difference in terms of dollars. This was council's decision and I have to respect that."

Council also decided against charging a parking fee at the airport, at least for this year.

Carey had recommended the municipality charge pilots \$3 per day, \$15 per week or \$60 for the summer (May - August) to leave their cars at the airport. Those who rent hangars would have been allowed to park one vehicle for free in their hangar.

"We're going to monitor parking this year and then decide whether to introduce a fee next year," said Carey.

Tie down fees have been increased to \$6 per day, \$24 a week, \$48 per month and \$325 per year.

In the past the provincial government topped up the airport's operating deficit to a maximum of \$20,000 a year. This year, that amount will be cut in half and next year it will be eliminated entirely.

In addition to the new user fees, Carey said Stanhope's airport committee is looking at new ways of marketing the facility to generate more revenue.

While making up the shortfall will be tough enough this year, Carey predicted it would be even more difficult next year when the province eliminates its funding entirely.

"We're going to have to trim an already trimmed budget," he said. "I don't know where the trims are going to be, but some way we'll find a way to do it."

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Province denies rumour Bark Lake deal is off

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

Persistent rumours that a Belleville businessman has backed out of a deal to buy the former Bark Lake Leadership Centre from the province are false, says the government's real estate arm.

"Incorrect ... It's still a go," the Ontario Realty Corporation's Vince Catalfo said Wednesday afternoon.

The deal's closing date was pushed back by a month because of the recent civil service strike which bogged down

paperwork for the sale of the 545-acre property, said Catalfo.

Because of the delay, Peter Zuuring, who has far-reaching plans to turn Bark Lake into a combination language school, multi-media centre, wilderness experience camp and corporate retreat, is now set to take possession of the site April 30, he said.

Telephone messages The Echo left for Zuuring at his computer software company in Belleville to confirm whether the deal was still going through were not returned.

More than 400 people turned out to a recent two-day job fair Zuuring held at Gooderham's community centre to fill approximately 50 jobs expected to be created at Bark Lake.

Many of the job-seekers were willing to wait up to six hours for an interview and a shot at landing one of the positions.

Zuuring has said he hopes to have an English as a Second Language school for foreign students up and running at Bark Lake by July 1.

He expects between 200 and 300 stu-

dents from Japan, Germany and the Middle East will study English at the site each month during July, August and September.

Then in the fall he plans to run wilderness experience programs for Ontario high school students at the facility.

He also envisions establishing a multi-media school, complete with 75 computer work stations, a sound studio, movie studio and other high-tech equipment.

As well, Zuuring has said businesses will be able to run corporate retreats and conferences at Bark Lake.

NOTICES

ONTARIO GOVERNMENT NOTICE PICNIC SITE MAINTENANCE TENDER NO. 43-96-06

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Time: 9:00am to 4:00pm each day

For further information, please contact Sandy Lawrence,

Director of Purchasing at (705) 749-5530, Ext. 2325,

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This meeting has been scheduled to commence as follows:

SATURDAY JUNE 1, 1996

10:00 A.M.

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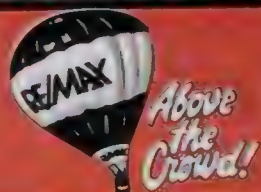
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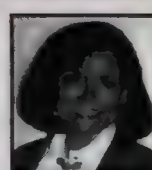
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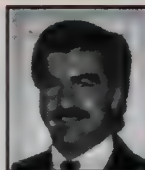
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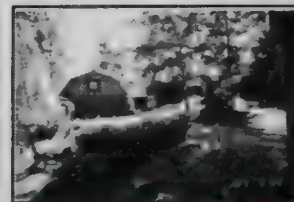
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Llama trekking is eco-friendly

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

Spit happens when you're dealing with llamas. But it doesn't happen as much as people think.

Howard Smith was reticent to say the s-word as he explored the world of llama trekking with a group of Sir Sandford Fleming College eco-tourism students at Deer Lodge on Wednesday morning. Llamas have a reputation of showing their displeasure in a wet way — if they're really angry the contents of their stomach become the projectile — and like many other reputations, it's not well-deserved.

In fact, the four llamas which accompanied Smith from his farm near Beeton were incredibly polite and well-behaved. There was no spitting as the dozen or so students crowded around the tethered animals, delighting in staring into those soulful big eyes and stroking the soft hair on their long necks. As humans and llamas got to know each other, there were only a few startled movements — by both species. After a few minutes, the llamas were even heard to hum a little.

When Smith first considered buying a llama almost 10 years ago, he says that "like most people, the only thing I'd heard is that they spit." Now with almost 30 llamas at his farm, he's discovered they're good-natured, hard working, more intelligent than horses, and that when he takes people on hikes, "the llamas are so cute people don't want to discipline them. Travel time is sometimes extended."

He and his wife, who's a vet, bought their first llama because she was a spinner and llama wool is very valuable, costing several times that of sheep's wool, which is loaded with lanolin and therefore initially greasy to the touch. Smith, who's a wildlife biologist with the Ministry of Natural Resources, liked the llama because it has



AN EASY SELL: Llamas are natural promoters of themselves as these Sir Sandford Fleming College eco-tourism students discovered recently. Howard Smith of Kewatin Expeditions brought four of his herd to Deer Lodge, where the llamas showed how versatile they were during a walk on the beach.

been domesticated as a pack animal and an attack of Lyme's disease had harmed his joints, limiting his own backpacking abilities. When the llama started accompanying the Smiths and their son on walks, the llama actually slowed them down because passersby always wanted to stop and talk. But this interest and enthusiasm sparked the idea for their trekking business, Kewatin Expeditions.

Right now, the business is more a hobby, but "if Mike Harris fires me I've got something I can kick into gear," he laughed. "It's something you have to advertise and market to companies but the potential's there. It's limited only by your

ingenuity."

His business took off on a fox-trot when he agreed to an innkeeper's request to photograph a llama at the bar and a CBC producer happened to be there at the same time. After the CBC's segment, there came articles in Cottage Life, Macleans and Toronto Life — all free advertising because of the llamas' unique, and cute, appeal. "It attracts the media and sells itself," he says, proof of which was The Echo's coverage of his llamas' visit.

School groups, gourmet clubs, weekend adventurers and families have all hired his company, whether for a day trip or overnight excursion. One of the

problems of operating such a business in Ontario is the relatively short summer season. "People aren't thrilled about paying money to be eaten by blackflies," he's learned. And since they're paying to go llama trekking, they want a llama. That means one llama per customer, and you need at least five customers to make a trip viable.

When llamas were the new trend in exotic animals, the females fetched about \$10,000 each; the record price was \$200,000 for one llama. Now that the Smiths have successfully bred their llamas, the price has dropped dramatically, but they're still not an investment to be made quickly. Although

cheap to feed because of their low-protein diet — they're browsers like deer — they do require a fair bit of space. On the trail they're fairly docile because everything is so new, but back on the ranch, they can be a bit... rambunctious.

As Smith explains, pregnant females don't like to be around males, and they're pregnant for almost a year, which is why they're never used as pack animals. (Breeding habits themselves are quite unique. The female releases an egg only when she's courted by a male and minutes after inception, she doesn't want anything to do with him, or any other male. The highly technical test for determining whether a female is pregnant, even for a vet, is placing a male in the same area as a female. If she draws back her ears and spits, she's pregnant. No comment.)

Males have their own hierarchy and as they're jostling for their place in the pack, will bite each other in rather private places. But once again, Smith said, once they're out on a trail, everyone is friends.

Those are some of the things you must be aware of if you venture into the world of llama trekking, yet Smith was equally as effusive about the llamas' beneficial qualities.

As an eco-tourism vehicle, llamas are very environmentally friendly. Their droppings are small pellets, much like deer's and porcupines'. They are not hoofed beasts, but rather have a callused, split underpad with two nails, causing very little wear and tear on trails. This is also the reason they're not appropriate for tours through rocky terrain. He's working out how to transport a portable canoe to extend the range of trips.

Unlike pack horses, the browsing llamas do not need to bring along a food source, and because they're not eating grain or seeds, you don't find plants like alfalfa sprouting up wherever the animals leave their droppings.

And when all is said and done, people love to spend money to take a hike with a llama. As the brochures say, when your energy starts to lag, spirits are restored by watching the animals. "They provide entertainment on the trail or in camp when their dignified character gives way to curiosity and social antics." At least those antics don't include spitting.



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Wigamog gives birth to getaway package for expecting parents

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

When Kim Ward-Grossman enthuses about the childbirth preparation classes at Wigamog Inn, it's not just because she's the resort's owner.

Instead, she has first-hand knowledge of how beneficial the weekend program can be for pregnant women and their partners.

With her first son, Brock, she had had a caesarian section, so she wasn't looking forward to a natural birth with her second child. Then she and her husband Christopher sat in on a recent weekend workshop. A few weeks later, when son Noah was born, Kim didn't need so much as an aspirin. It was a wonderful birthing experience for them.

"They psyche you up and nurture you," she says, as she rocks baby Noah asleep and Brock cuddles against her shoulder. "You hear such horror stories about giving birth and they get you so believing - believing that you can do it without painkillers."

Motherhood is not the only reason why Ward-Grossman was interested in having Wigamog host the course. The weekend packages are in the

slow seasons - April and November - when resorts are traditionally not busy. This way, the Wigamog can fill a few more rooms and the expectant couples can take advantage of the lower rates, making the program more financially attractive. As well, no one complains about rotten weather since they're inside for most of the weekend.

Another charm of having the workshop at Wigamog is it becomes one of the couple's last romantic getaways before the baby is born. As the brochure says, "it's a rare opportunity to prepare for the birth of your baby in a relaxed atmosphere away from the distractions of home and work. After classes, you can stroll along the meandering trails of the Haliburton Highlands, walk along the shores of Lake Kashagawigamog, or simply relax and chat in the lounge by a roaring fire. It's the perfect gift to each other. A time to focus on yourselves and the arrival of your baby."

The partnership between mother and father is stressed. It's suggested the mother be in the final trimester since much of the instruction is on relaxation and breathing techniques, mental and physical preparations for labour and birth, and comfort mea-

sures for labour.

"We had a ball," says Ward-Grossman, who credits the teaching skills of Sandra Carrier, an RN with five years of being an ASPO certified Lamaze instructor and labour support person; Alice Lee, an RN with 12 years as an ASPO certified Lamaze instructor; and Jan Janowski, an RN and labour support person. The brochure also outlines their experience as follows: "Between us, we have nine children, including six natural births, three C-sections, 1 VBAC and twins."

Some parents get frightened off by the word "Lamaze" but the program at Wigamog has been so successful, many of the guests have switched hospitals so they can give birth in Port Perry, where the three nurses are based. The brochure says "while Lamaze does not ensure a painless or complication-free childbirth, our approach strives to provide the opportunity for couples to have a very positive birth experience."

The next weekend workshop is on May 10 to 12. The fee is \$165 plus accommodation. For more information, please ask for Connie at the Wigamog, 457-2000. If it's long distance, phone 1-800-661-2010.



Kim Ward-Grossman with newest son, Noah, and first son Brock

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Jim Deterling and Flo Elliott in a scene from "That Pioneer Spirit."



Jim Deterling, Kim Barnes, Hilda Clark and Jim Saunders perform for an appreciative crowd.

Loop Troupe entertains Wilberforce crowd

by HILDA CLARK

The Loop Troupe's presentation of Paul Tremere's play "That Pioneer Spirit" was enjoyed by their loyal audience on Saturday and Sunday at the Lloyd Watson Hall.

Mice in the icebox, cob-

webs on Old Smokey, the cook stove, ugly cupboard, motley chairs and a dusty day bed shocked city girl Edwina Needs (Kim Barnes), but it was the out-house halfway to the barn that caused both she and her mother Sadie Goods (Hilda Clark) to faint dead away. The old farm house

to which Joshua Needs (Jim Deterling) has brought his bride is a great buy and where they will make a living off the land. Neighbour, John Beastly (Jim Saunders) who often shows up with plenty of earthy philosophy, thinks it's a termite hotel. And how would Winny ever

have survived without the friendly advice of Susan Rich (Flo Elliott).

It takes a committed team of people to stage a two-act play that required many props and a set that included 'Old Smokey', an ancient radio, a cistern pump, baskets of cucumbers, pails of cider (?), a portable bath tub, wash board and clothes wringer, and a space behind the couch for a baby to be delivered.

Congratulations to the cast and especially to stage manager Cathy Agnew, to sound and light

man Danny Linkert, to Adele Barnes, director, Marg Jeske, prompter, and to publicity person Val French, to Gerda Goverde and the whole supporting Troupe and friends.

Many local curlers and their families and friends enjoyed a social evening here on April 13 at the Lloyd Watson Centre. After a candlelit banquet, president Jack Ward presented plaques to members of all the teams that were league and playoff champions. Dancing following. It was a pleasant evening in spite of all that cold,

wet sleet outside! Did the weather gods think it necessary to provide ice just because this was a curling event?

At its annual business meeting on April 18 the Curling Club reported that the past season was a successful one though many basic expenses such as hydro were up. Executive elected for 1996-97: Jack Ward, president; Roberta Walsh, vice-president; Dorothy Bebbington, secretary; Sharon Stoughton-Craig, treasurer; George Waugh, Ed Morais, Dave Rogers, and Rick Forget.

Grab a hat and have some tea at Rails' End Gallery

Something special is "in the works" at the Rails' End Gallery. The Haliburton Highlands Guild of Fine Arts hosts a 'Spring Bonnet Tea' on Friday, May 10.

Guests are "encouraged" to wear a hat - you could win a prize! Possibilities for the occasion include fishing or hunting headgear, "leftovers" from weddings, baseball caps, baby bonnets, fedoras, "pork pies", flower bedecked straws, or even original, "by hand" creations.

Complete with great "goodies" and appropriate beverages the Spring Bonnet Tea is from 2:30 to 4:30. Tickets, available at the Gallery, are \$2.50 for adults (children free). Come for the fun!



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SUPPORT FOR INFORMATION CENTRE:

Haliburton Legion Branch 129 has donated \$1,000 to help the Haliburton County Information Centre, which is facing funding cutbacks and will lose its Ontario government support by 1998. Centre coordinator Tia Billings accepted the donation from legion manager Jim Tice, who was representing the membership. Billings said the Information Centre is currently working to find alternate sources of funding, and appreciates the Haliburton Legion's donation. "Their continued support over the years not only helps operationally, but also is an indicator of the value local service organizations place on our services" Billings said.

Tips offered to save on household budgets

by ANNE COSTELOE

Do you want to save money on your grocery bill? Do you have some tips you'd like to share? Diana Williams, from Parent Support Services, will be leading a discussion on how to save \$\$\$ on Thursday at 11 a.m. at the Community Centre. Diana has some recipe ideas as well as practical tips.

The CHACE preschool play group will be meeting on Thursday this week, instead of next Monday morning. Play group will run at the usual times, 10 a.m. till 1 p.m. Child care will be provided, by CHACE staff during the "cost cutting" discussion.

The Glamorgan Volunteer Firefighters responded to a chimney fire in town last Wednesday night. They were able to put the fire out while still contained to the chimney. Remember to keep chimneys clean, to avoid creosote buildup.

The Community Centre was crowded on Sunday evening, for Elsie Brown's farewell pot luck dinner. Elsie will be moving to Lindsay.

It is Girl Guide cookie time. The Sparks, Brownies and Guides will be selling chocolate and vanilla cookies in Gooderham on Saturday. There is a limited supply of these delicious cookies. Brownies and Sparks will begin meeting on Monday nights at the

Community Centre. The first Monday meeting is scheduled for April 22.

Gooderham Elementary School "Student of the Week" is Jordan Askew. Jordan is being recognized for his creative writing. In anticipation of spring, he wrote a composition called "Kites".

Journey for Sight needs support from community

Each year the Haliburton and District Lions Club holds the Journey for Sight in the town of Haliburton. It is a 10 kilometer walkathon. Lions raise funds through pledge sheets that are circulated in and around the community. They are trying to raise monies for a leader dog for Haliburton County and other sight related causes. The Lions need the community's help to make this year's campaign a huge success.

The event is on Sunday, May 5, 1996, starting at the Lion's Den (Masonic Temple) and proceeding down the main street in Haliburton. Following the walkathon there will be refreshments served at the parking lot of the Masonic Temple located beside the Haliburton United Church in Haliburton for participants only.

This is how people can help. Pick up a pledge sheet at one of the participating businesses: Jug City (Haliburton), Home Town Fashions (Haliburton), Stedman's (Haliburton), and the Esso Gas Station (Carnarvon). The Lions need your help to meet our goal of \$10,000. Bring your family and friends. Prizes and awards will be offered to the participants.

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Woman seeks help to uncover family roots

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Wanda (Rumney) Liscombe, is busy composing a family tree on the Rumney family. A lady in B.C. had wrote her to see if she could find information on the Rumney's since she was a Rumney.

Genealogy is very interesting and Wanda is into the research in earnest. She has learned that one of the Rumney clan founded the Pinegrove cemetery at Norland.

If you can be of any help in this project, will you write Wanda Liscombe, at Coboconk, Ontario, K0M 1K0 or phone her at (705) 454-3549. Wanda would appreciate it so much.

Grandma and grandpa, Isobel and Ingram Wessell, are babysitting their two little granddaughters while mom and dad, Harold and Karen Wessell, are enjoying a vacation at Myrtle Beach, South Carolina.

Grandparents, Everett and Jessie Cameron, had their little granddaughter for a few days from Orillia.

Richard Bradamore from Oshawa stopped by a week ago to say his daughter, Kelly and her husband, have a new baby and all were thrilled.

We have a lot on the sick list and I'm sure there are many I have not heard about, but here are some.

Terry Yeo has been recovering at home with double pneumonia.

Thane Yeo had surgery in Peterborough hospital on Monday morning, and is doing well.

Carmen Pearce has been in Ross Memorial Hospital for over two weeks, and is very anxious to get home!

Larry Baldwin has been in Sunnybrook Medical Centre in Toronto, but was sent back to Ross Memorial Hospital, now that treatment is finished in Sunnybrook.

Norman Taylor, of Verlum, has been in Ross Memorial Hospital.

Nick Spona of Kinmount underwent surgery in Ross Memorial Hospital on Monday and came through it quite well.

John Spear of Lightning Point, has been in Ross Memorial Hospital.

Ruby Lyman, known to many here, who lives in Lindsay, has had surgery to repair her hip, broken in the fall.

Arnold Richardson is coming along, able to be home during the day, and returning to hospital nights.

Congratulations to Nat

and Jean Johnstone, over Woodville way, who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on April 12. Jean was a nurse at Ross Memorial for many years, so maybe cared for you at one time. She remains a very cheerful person, despite the suffering she endures.

Thane and Terry Yeo went to Prince Edward Island recently, to attend the funeral of his sister-in-

law there.

Good luck to Wayne Rutter of Wilberforce (a Coboconk native) who faces surgery in Kingston, later this month.

Happy 80th birthday to Edith McArthur, up Minden way, who had her birthday on April 16. Trust you have many more, Edith!

Frank Gibson has been ill in Ross Memorial Hospital. Get well wishes

to all of you who are on the sick list.

Norman Taylor had his 80th birthday in hospital so missed a birthday party!

Helen Bradamore was guest of honour at an 80th birthday party, in her honour at the Coboconk Legion Hall on Saturday, April 13. Helen lives in Lindsay, but is a Coboconk native.

Joe Maguire and Norma

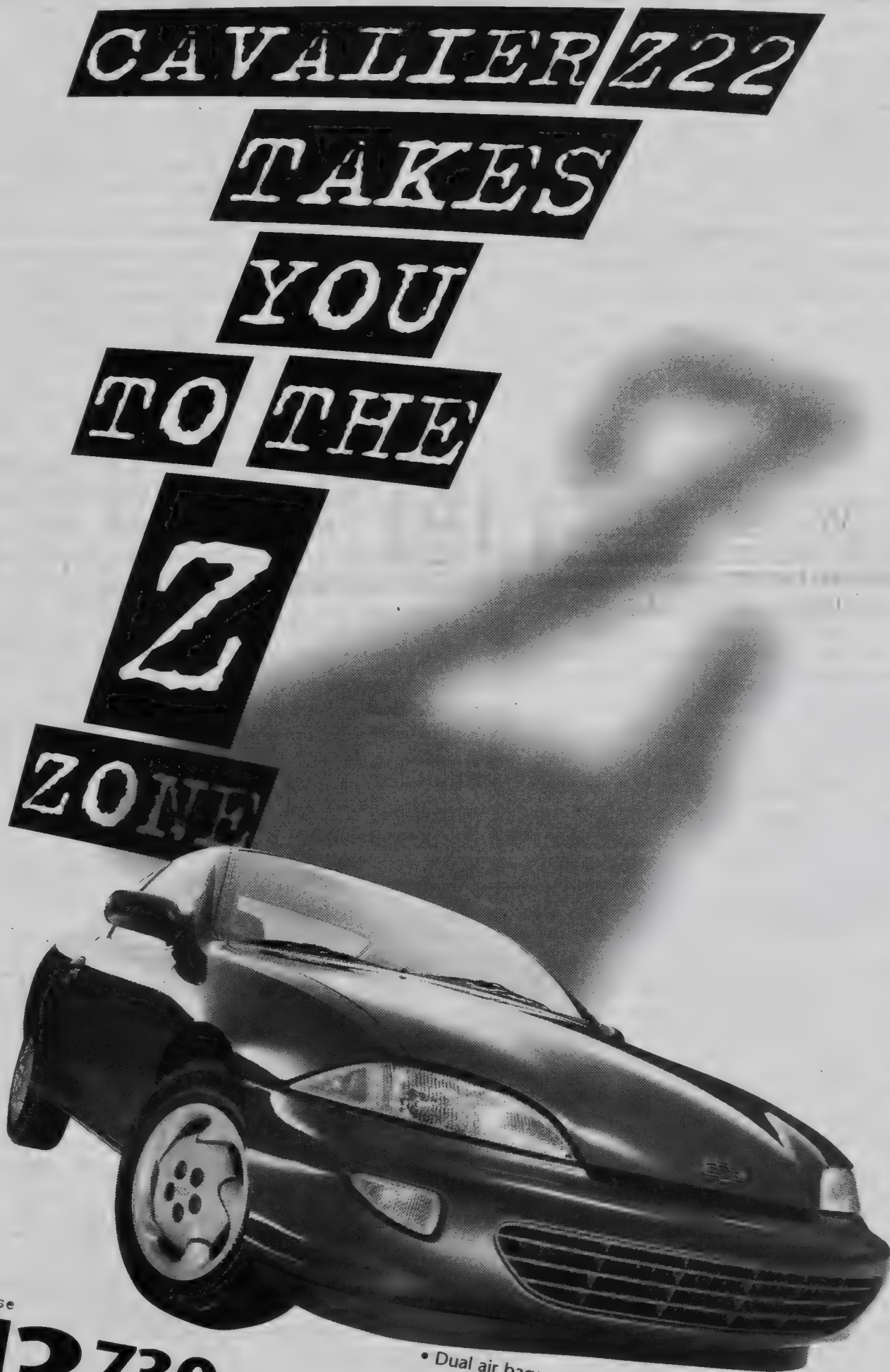
Hughes of Minden were visitors of Mrs. Myrtle Faulkner, last week.

I met my sister, Denna White of Ajax, in Lindsay last Thursday for lunch and also had lunch with Stella McLeish of Lindsay on Saturday. Since I'm back and forth to hospital every day to visit my husband, Grant, who has been in Ross Memorial since Tuesday, April 9, I've appreciated meeting with a

friend to chat with over lunch.

Shirley Fountain is doing quite well at home now, but spent some time in Ross Memorial Hospital recently.

The Avon ladies met at the home of Louise Craig, at Lochlin, on Wednesday, April 10, for their sales meeting and met new manager, Margaret Lake from Peterborough.



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Former Medical Officer of Health had 'gentle spirit'

The Haliburton Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit has announced "with deepest sorrow," the passing of Dr. Mikel (former Medical

Officer of Health), on April 18, 1996.

In 1947, Dr. Mikel began his career in Cobourg working as a physician in general practice with the late Dr. Gear. In 1976, he assumed the duties of Medical Officer of Health for the Health Unit and continued in this capacity for the next 17 years. As a caring humanitarian, Dr. Mikel dedicated his entire life both professionally and voluntarily to health care services, greater quality of life, and public health principles.

Dr. Mikel graced the Board of Health and staff with leadership, wisdom, vision and human kindness. His commitment to excellence set the standard for all other health units to follow. By encouraging the Health Unit to achieve the honour of accreditation, the first in Ontario to meet peer established standards.

Dr. Mikel was well

respected both in his community and throughout the province. As one of the founding members of the Association of Local Official Health Agencies and an executive member for four years, Dr. Mikel received their highest

award, the Distinguished Service Award, in 1987 and 1989.

The personal interest he took in each and every staff member, and his joy of sharing with others, has left a lasting impression on the organization and its

staff. He will be most remembered for his best gifts of all; his gentle spirit, compassion, and charismatic sense of humour.

Funeral services were held on Monday, April 22, at St. Peter's Church in Cobourg.

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The sympathy of the community is extended to the family and friends of Alma Hammond who died at Huntsville Hospital on Thursday, April 4.

Sympathy also goes out to the family of Bernice Wells of Bear Lake, who passed away on March 31 at St. Michaels Hospital after a lengthy illness. The family would like to thank those who were so kind and thoughtful during Mrs. Wells' illness, especially Dr. Mitchell and the Red Cross Home Makers.

Her bereaved husband is Raymond Wells.

Easter always seems like a time of renewal. At St. Mary Magdalenes there was a baptismal service which is always uplifting. Bryce Drinkwater, 5 month old son of Frank and Jane, was welcomed into the church family. There was a reception afterward at Zachary's Restaurant. June and Bill Johnson are Bryce's grandparents. His paternal grandmother, Irene Drinkwater, was here from

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Toronto for the occasion. Irene lived in Dorset for a few years and attended the Dorset Senior Club.

Happy birthday to Bev Robinson who celebrated on April 11. Robbie Drebbitt had a birthday on the 13th, and we

wish him a happy one. We hope Melanie Rose Grauds had a great 3rd birthday, April 15. And we wouldn't forget the Blue Goose who tacked another year on April 11. We hope he wintered well.

More April birthdays: Eva Prince celebrated on April 19, Todd Brooks on the 18th, Jordana Schuetze was 8 on the 19th, Grace McEachern turned 9 on the 21st, Julie White was 6 on the 22nd and Shane Roper celebrated on the 23rd.

We send get well wishes to

Marion Tyson who has had some problems and been hospitalized. We hope she will soon be home and enjoying better health. We hope that Joyce McKey's medical problems will soon be resolved.

We are sorry to report that Hazel Sears has been pretty well confined to her home recently with problems. We hope for improvement to her problems in the near future. She is missed in church and at the Senior Club. Get well wishes to all who are under the weather.

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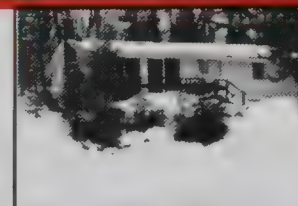
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tal for their great care and the
ambulance drivers, Ian Douglas
and Deno Pearsell, who safely
took me to Lindsay to meet with
the air ambulance. A great thank
you to the doctors and nurses
of C.C.U. in the Kingston Gen-
eral and to the nurses of the
Davies Wing. I would also like
to thank my special family for
the love and support I was giv-
en and for all the flowers, cards,
fruit baskets, food and phone
calls that I have received while
in hospital and since returning
home. Thank you also for all the
phone calls, flowers and cards
that I have received from so
many of my friends. Thank you
just isn't enough. May God bless
you all. **Darlene Johnson.**

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AS ALWAYS, the LilyAnn and 4Cs give a heartfelt thanks to the many people who are helping us function in a meaningful way. The continued support of food, clothing, money and voluntary aid extended by the many organizations, stores, churches and people too numerous to mention, is what makes everything worthwhile. At this point in time, with all the cutbacks, the need has doubled in Haliburton over the previous years. All of us who represent the churches in Haliburton feel privileged to serve in this way. **CA**

I WOULD LIKE TO THANK all of my family and friends for my wonderful 80th birthday party. It was so nice to have all of the family together and I appreciate everything. **Shirley Edwards.**

340 BIRTHS

It's a Boy!

Sheila Iles and Bob Cole are happy to announce the safe arrival of their first son,

COREY WILLIAM EDWARD COLE

On March 29, 1996 at 4:32 p.m. at Huntsville & District Memorial Hospital. Corey weighed 6 lbs., 12 oz. Proud grandparents are Ted and Dorothy Iles from Haliburton and Jim and Marilyn Cole from Huntsville. Proud great grandmother is Myrtle Davies of Extencicare. Thanks to the nursing staff, Dr. Dale and Dr. Mathies of Huntsville Hospital and the nursing staff of Intensive Care and Dr. Smith of Orillia Soldiers Memorial Hospital. A special thank you to Aunt Kelly.

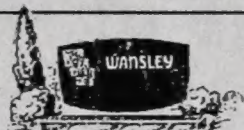
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Loving husband of Kathy Francis (nee Chidwick) of Haliburton. Dear son of Ivan of Haliburton and predeceased by his mother Muriel, and son-in-law of Stan and Olga Chidwick of Oshawa. Loving brother of Ivy and her husband Kevin Finch of Haliburton, and brother-in-law of Pauline Bullock of Courtice, Debbie Chidwick and her husband Brad Hansen of Oshawa, and Pauline Barrett of Orillia. Dear uncle of Terra, Lacey, Chance, Amanda, Jocelyn and Megan. Don will be sadly missed by his family and friends. Rested at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home, 127 Main St., Minden from 3-5 and 7-9 p.m. Wednesday. Funeral Service was in the Chapel on Thurs., April 18, 1996 at 1:00 p.m. Interment Gelert Cemetery. Memorial donations to the Mount Sinai Hospital (Oncology Unit) or to the Princess Margaret Hospital, Toronto, would be appreciated by the family. **CA**

HERRON, CHARLES: Peacefully at Extencicare-Haliburton on Monday, April 22, 1996 in his 78th year. Beloved husband of Emma Morrison. Loving brother of Myrtle Davies and Ruby Miller of Haliburton. Predeceased by his brother Leonard and sister Gertie Parish. Fondly remembered by many nieces and nephews. Friends may call at the HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME, Hwy. 118, Haliburton (705) 457-9209 on Tuesday evening, April 23, 1996 from 7-9 p.m. and Wednesday, April 24, 1996 from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Funeral and Committal Services in the Chapel on Thursday morning, April 25, 1996 at 11 o'clock. Interment Evergreen Cemetery, Haliburton. As expressions of sympathy donations to a charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family. **CA**

WATSON, COLIN ROBERT: Peacefully in his sleep at his home in Haliburton, Ontario on Wednesday, April 17, 1996 in his 87th year. Beloved husband of Maditta Skrbensky. Loving father of Rene of Huntsville and

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CONTINUED...
Kim and his wife Susan of Brampton. Fondly remembered by his seven grandchildren. Dear brother of Neil and Yoma. Predeceased by his son Anthony and granddaughter Ashley. A graveside service will be held at Essonville Cemetery, Essonville, Ontario at a later date. As expressions of sympathy, donations to the Canadian Cancer Society or the Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary would be appreciated by the family. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME, Hwy. #118, Haliburton (705) 457-9209. **CA**

400 IN MEMORIAM

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MOORE, WILLIAM - In loving memory of a dear husband, father and grandfather who passed away five years ago on April 22, 1991. God put Your arms around him, Keep him in Your care, Make up for all he suffered, And all that was unfair. It was someone very special, Who can never be replaced, His memory in our daily lives, Can never be erased. Time cannot steal the memories, We carry in our hearts, Nor take away the happy years, Of which he was a part. Sadly missed by wife **Mary, family and grandchildren.**

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News

Eleanor Cooper
754-2388

"Breath of Scotland" was enjoyed by many local residents at the Legion on April 16. Ronnie Cockburn's comedy had us all in stitches and this year soloist Isabelle Stuart added to this part of the entertainment. Canada's Alanah Cameron danced the Highland dances beautifully to the accompaniment of expert fiddler Ian Powrie. Jimmy Lindsay played accordion with great facility and all of the troop led us in singing before the evening was out. Of all the audiences they play to, we are assured, Haliburton is quite the most responsive!

The Scottish Country Dancers' ball took place at the centre on April 20. More details next week.

Norma Sisson is home from hospital following knee surgery.

Neilson Owens' birthday, a celebration of 90 years, was attended by about 60 relatives and

friends at the centre on April 13. April 14 was his actual birthday and was celebrated in Pickering at his St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church where a reception was held, attended by the entire congregation as well as many of his family and still more friends and neighbours. At the Guilford reception, Kathleen Owens read a tribute to dad in a poem of her own composition, Earl Cooper toasted the guest of honour, and Bert Young, long-time friend of dad's from New Minor, Nova Scotia, added his own humorous touch in a few well chosen anecdotes. Guests from Barrie, Collingwood, Fergus, London and Burlington, augmented the twenty-some friends and relatives from this area. It was great to be around for two completely happy occasions with the wonderful man I'm lucky enough to call dad.

Eleanor and Rick Poole of Winnipeg have been spending some time with Erma Sisson this past week, and, of course, visiting their son Scott as well while in the area.

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April 29 - GRIEF RECOVERY
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May 8, 1:00-4:00, May 9 6:30 - 9:30 RUG
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457-2330 to register

May 3 HALIBURTON CHRISTIAN
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May 5 HALIBURTON CHRISTIAN
OUTREACH Evangelist Eugene Smith
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